



PROCEEDINGS
—OF THE—
EIGHTY-THIRD SESSION
—OF THE—
MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

PORT GIBSON, MISS., December 2, 1896.

The Eighty-Third Session of the MISSISSIPPI ANNUAL CONFERENCE of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in the Methodist Church in Port Gibson, Mississippi, December 2, 1896, at 9 A. M., Bishop Eugene R. Hendrix, presiding.

The religious services were conducted by the Bishop, and consisted of singing the 228th Hymn, reading I Corinthians iv chapter, and of prayer.

The roll was called by the Secretary of last year, and the following answered to their names, viz :

R. A. Sibley, H. P. Lewis, W. B. Lewis, C. G. Andrews, E. H. Mounger, I. B. Robertson, W. W. Hurst, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, R. B. Downer, P. Howard, R. D. Norsworthy, D. P. Bradford, J. S. Parker, D. G. W. Ellis, C. McDonald, J. W. McLaurin, R. J. Jones, R. Bradley, D. C. Langford, T. B. Holloman, C. D. Cecil, C. A. Powell, B. S. Rayner, W. W. Simmons, J. P. Drake, I. W. Cooper, H. R. Caldwell, L. Carley, J. T. Nicholson, J. W. Chambers, E. F. Edgar, A. D. Miller, D. F. Guice, T. W. Adams, J. W. Brown, W. G. Backus, J. V. Penn, H. W. Featherstun, T. L. Mellen, B. F. Lewis, A. F. Watkins, L. S. Jones, W. W. Morse, R. S. Gale, R. Selby, M. L. Burton, N. B. Harmon, J. M. Morse, G. H. Galloway, R. A. Breland, J. M. Cowan, F. M. Keen, J. G. Cammack, J. W. Crymes, B. H. Rawls, J. G. Galloway, H. M. Ellis, W. M. Sullivan, R. H. Barr, H. Mellard, P. H. Howse, M. L. White, G. A. Guice, W. J. Ferguson, J. T. Abney, W. J. Dawson, H. B. Vandenberg, T. J. Norsworthy, J. M. Weems, R. W. Bailey, J. N. Tucker, H. W. Van Hook, R. E. Rutledge, P. D. Hardin, W. M. Williams, W. W. Moore, A. T. Bell, W. C. Black, A. H. Shannon, E. T. Breland, C. F. Emery, J. D. Ellis, M. M. Black, J. A. Moore.

The following roll of the lay members was called, and those marked "p" answered to their names :

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT—J. McC. Stewart, J. E. Carruth, L. E. Alford, J. H. Thompson.

JACKSON DISTRICT—W. M. McClanton, W. E. Harris (p), J. W. Sharbrough, E. Middleton.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—T. P. Bell, L. P. Brown (p), D. S. Harmon (p), S. S. Cope.

SEA SHORE DISTRICT—W. R. Thompson, T. S. Ford, J. S. Allison, J. C. Clower.

BRANDON DISTRICT—Irvin Miller (p), W. M. Thornton (p), W. B. Price, S. D. Miller (p).

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—T. A. Holloman, R. H. Noblin, Wilson Price, A. K. Barrier.

NATCHEZ DISTRICT—J. F. Cassels (p), E. A. Enochs, D. F. Ashford (p), H. B. McGehee (p).

ENTERPRISE DISTRICT—D. W. Heidleberg (p), S. J. Johnson, J. A. Wetherbee, A. Trotter.

C. G. Andrews was elected Secretary, with the following assistants, viz : J. A. B. Jones, G. H. Galloway, W. L. Linfield, J. G. Galloway, C. F. Emery, W. M. Stevens.

Bishop Hendrix addressed the Conference.

The hours of 9 A. M. and 1 P. M. respectively, were chosen as the time of meeting and adjournment.

The following Committees nominated by the presiding Elders, were elected by the Conference :

STANDING COMMITTEES.

PUBLIC WORSHIP—J. M. Weems, H. M. Ellis, H. C. Mounger.

MEMOIRS—F. M. Keen, D. C. Langford, C. D. Cecil, W. R. Thompson, I. W. Cooper, I. Miller, M. J. Miller.

STATE OF THE CHURCH—Wilson Price, J. N. Ware, S. S. Cope, M. H. Moore, T. S. Ford, W. G. Backus, P. H. Howse, B. S. Rayner.

BIBLE CAUSE—H. Mellard, F. M. Williams, D. W. Heidleberg, R. A. Breland, G. R. Ellis, J. E. Carruth, S. D. Miller, H. B. McGehee.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE—W. T. Griffin, J. A. Wetherbee, A. T. Bell, William Clanton, J. S. Allison, L. E. Alford, W. M. Sullivan, E. T. Breland.

TEMPERANCE—L. P. Meador, A. K. Barrier, W. E. Harris, W. G. Forsythe, J. M. Morse, J. T. Nicholson, M. M. Black.

PUBLISHING INTERESTS—T. P. Bell, W. J. Dawson, A. D. Miller, J. W. Brown, W. H. Huntley, J. H. Thompson, C. McDonald, E. A. Enochs.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS—A. Trotter, R. H. Noblin, R. H. Barr, H. L. Norton, C. F. Emery, M. C. Stuart, W. M. Williams, R. S. Gale.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS—G. H. Galloway, H. E. Partridge, W. W. Hurst, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, T. W. Adams, J. D. Crymes, H. P. Lewis, J. G. Galloway.

AUDITING COMMITTEE—T. P. Bell, C. C. Evans.

The following persons were introduced to the Conference, viz : Rev. Dr. Brownlee, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in this city ; T. B. Holt, Esq., treasurer of the Board of Missions ; Rev. Jas. F. Riddle, of the Louisiana Conference, Rev. L. B. Clifford, of the North Mississippi Conference, Rev. Dr. W. B. Murrah, President of Millsaps College, and W. B. Palmore, editor of the St. Louis Christian Advocate.

Dr. Murrah read the annual report of Millsaps College, which was referred to the Board of Education.

The annual report of Drs. Morrison and Lambuth. Secretaries of the Board of Missions, was read and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

The report of the Church Extension Society was read and referred to the Conference Board.

A report from Barbee & Smith, agents of the publishing house at Nashville, was read and referred the committee on Publishing Interests.

The report of Dr. S. A. Steel, Secretary of the Epworth League, was read and referred to the Conference League Board.

A communication from the National Association of the Anti-Saloon League was read and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Question Twenty was called—"Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"

The following Presiding Elders gave statements of the condition of their respective districts and were passed, viz.: J. M. Weems, C. A. Powell, R. J. Jones, L. Carley, W. W. Simmons, R. D. Norsworthy, E. H. Mounger, L. S. Jones.

The following were passed under the same question, viz.: J. M. Cowan, J. S. Parker, H. R. Caldwell, V. V. Boone, C. G. Andrews, K. S. Enochs, J. V. Penn, C. D. Cecil, W. T. Griffin, G. A. Cuice, F. M. Williams, W. W. Hurst, J. P. Drake, R. Selby, W. L. Linfield, W. M. Stevens, A. D. Miller, J. W. Crisler, H. M. Ellis, T. W. Adams, P. Howard, T. W. Brown, G. R. Ellis, N. B. Harmon, W. G. Forsythe, W. H. Huntley, H. D. Howell, R. S. Woodward, H. Mellard, W. W. Cammack, D. C. Lingford, G. H. Thompson, G. H. Galloway, L. P. Meador, T. B. Holloman, J. T. Leggett, D. P. Bradford, H. E. Partridge, J. N. Ware, R. B. Downer, F. M. Keen, D. G. W. Ellis, W. J. Dawson, J. H. Holland, G. W. Ferrer.

The following were passed and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation, viz.: J. W. Sandell. The following were passed and referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuated Relation, viz.: A. B. Nicholson, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, G. Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, J. M. Pugh.

The name of J. G. Sibley was called and his presiding elder announced that he had surrendered his credentials and had gone to the Baptist ministry.

Question First was called. "Who are admitted on trial?" The following being duly certified by their respective District Conferences and having stood approved, examinations were admitted, viz.: George Preston McKeown, from the Seashore District; John A. Moore, from the Meridian District; Mancil Albert Thurman, from the Brandon District; Walter Anderson Terry, from the Jackson District.

Question Second was called. "Who remain on trial?" The following having stood approved examinations, were passed and continued, viz.: Robert Lee Phillips, Thomas B. Cottrell, Robert A. Sibley, Jr., George M. Hull.

Communications from R. J. Bigham, Secretary of the Board of Education, were read and referred to the Board of Education of the Conference.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that J. T. Nicholson would preach at 7:30 P. M.

Conference adjourned with the benediction by Bishop Hendrix.

SECOND DAY.

PORT GIBSON, MISS., Dec. 3, 1896.

The Conference met at 9 A. M., Bishop Hendrix in the chair.

The religious services were conducted by W. L. C. Hunnicutt, and consisted of singing hymn 793, reading the xxiii Psalm and prayer.

The minutes of the yesterday's session were read and approved.

The roll was called and the following in addition to those present on yesterday answered to their names, viz.:

J. A. B. Jones, F. M. Williams, B. F. Jones, I. L. Peebles, L. P. Meador, R. F. Witt, M. H. Moore, V. V. Boone, W. L. Linfield, W. H. Huntley, W. G. Forsythe, W. M. Stevens, H. L. Norton, W. T. Griffin, C. C. Evans, G. R. Ellis, H. E. Partridge, G. W. Ferrer.

LAYMEN—J. E. Carruth, J. H. Thompson, J. W. Sharbrough, R. H. Noblin, Wilson Price.

On motion of W. L. C. Hunnicutt, the calling of the roll was dispensed with during the remainder of the session.

A memorial from the Brookhaven District, regarding the division of the funds collected for the cause of education between the female colleges belonging to the Conference as well as the male college, was read and referred to the Board of Education.

I. W. Cooper read the report from Whitworth Female College, and it was referred to the Board of Education.

A communication from the President, Miss Belle H. Bennett, and Mrs. R. K. Hargrove, General Secretary of the Parsonage and Home Mission Society, was read and referred to the Board of Church Extension.

A letter from J. H. Evans, a superannuated preacher of the Conference, was read.

Question Sixth was called. "Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?" The Bishop announced that James E. Riddle, from the Louisiana Conference and H. M. DuBose from the East Texas Conference, both in Elder's orders had been transferred to this Conference.

Question Eight was called. "What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?" The following having traveled two years consecutively, and having stood approved examinations, were passed and elected, viz: Clarence M. Crossley, Daniel Scarborough, Fletcher B. Ormond, Eugene E. Langford. The following were passed and continued in the class of the second year, not having been before the committee of examination, viz: John C. Ellis and John H. Foreman.

Question Seventh. "Who are the Deacons of one year?" The following having stood approved examinations, were passed and advanced to the class of the fourth year, viz: Charles F. Emery, Paul D. Hardin, Marvin McKendree Black, Elbert T. Breland, A. Harvey Shannon. The following were passed and continued in the class of third year, not having passed the Examining Committee, viz: Henry C. Brown, Hiram B. Trevilion, Thomas H. King, Thomas J. Norsworthy, John D. Ellis, Robert E. Rutledge, Matthew J. Miller, Waldo W. Moore, William M. Williams.

Question Tenth was called. "What local preachers are elected Deacons?" The following having been duly recommended by their respective District Conferences, were elected, viz: John Alexander Moore, from the Meridian District, Henry Anderson Gatlin, from the Natchez District.

D. C. Farmer was properly certified by the District Conference of the Enterprise District, as having been received into the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, from the Methodist Protestant Church, and was recommended to this Conference for the recognition of his orders as an Elder. He was brought before the chair and answered properly the question of the discipline, and by vote of Conference, his orders as an Elder were recognized.

Question Twelfth was called. "What traveling preachers are elected Elders?" The following having traveled four years consecutively, and having stood approved examinations, were elected, viz: Henry W. Van Hook, Adolphus T. Bell, William Monroe Sullivan, James T. Leggett. The following were passed and were continued in the class of the fourth year, not having stood approved examinations, viz: Robert H. Barr, Henry G. Hawkins, James G. Cammack, Harrison B. Vandenberg.

On motion of H. W. Featherstun, the College of Bishops was memorialized to begin our annual sessions hereafter on Thursday instead of Wednesday.

A report from the Port Gibson Female College was read by one of its joint principals, Miss W. H. Park, and was referred to the Board of Education. Miss Park also made verbal report of the claims of this institution for patronage.

A report from the Paine Institute was read and referred to the Board of Education.

The Twentieth question was resumed. "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" The following were passed, viz: H. Mellard, A. F. Watkins, W. L. C. Hunnicutt.

The Committee on Public Worship announced that H. W. Featherstun would preach at 7:30 P. M.

The Conference adjourned with the doxology and benediction by the Bishop.

THIRD DAY.

PORT GIBSON, MISS., Dec. 4, 1896.

Conference met at 9 A. M., Bishop Hendrix in the chair.

The religious services were conducted by W. B. Lewis. The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Twentieth Question was resumed. "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"

The following were passed, viz: R. F. Witt, P. H. Howse, J. T. Nicholson, H. P. Lewis, C. McDonald, R. Bradley, C. C. Evans, L. J. Jones, M. L. White, M. H. Moore, J. W. Brown, J. A. B. Jones, W. J. Ferguson, R. A. Breland, H. L. Norton, H. W. Featherstun, J. A. Moore.

Question Sixteenth was called. "Who are located this year?" W. P. Jones was passed and was located at his own request.

The Rev. J. F. Foster, of the Louisiana Conference, was introduced to the Conference.

The following with amendment offered by W. L. C Hunnicutt, was read and adopted as the report on Bible Cause:

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

Your Committee on the Bible Cause beg leave to report as follows:

In view of the immense importance of the dissemination of the Word of God, we profoundly regret that there has been a considerable falling off of the revenue of the Society during the past year. During the year 1896 the net expenditures of the Society amounted to \$162,240.90, while its income aggregated the sum of \$138,079.28, making a surplus of expenditures over the income of \$24,161.62. In order to meet this large deficiency the Society was compelled to draw largely on its reserve fund, which consists of unexpended legacies collected in former years. It is manifest that unless there is an increase in the income of the Society it is only a question of time when the reserve fund will be exhausted and the society itself finally become a thing of the past. In order that this may not be the fate of this institution, which has been so helpful to our missionary efforts at home and abroad, and which is almost indispensable to the progress of the cause of missions in the future, it behooves us all to redouble our efforts in behalf of this Society. The appeal sent out by the Society at its last annual meeting to the different churches, calling upon them to rally to its support, and thereby avert the impending danger should enlist the interest of the entire membership of the church and inspire us to lend the Society a more helping hand in the future than we have done in the past. One church alone cannot undertake the translation and publication of the Scriptures in the numerous languages and dialects of the different nations to whom it will be called upon to send the Gospel in the future. No one church could well undertake so stupendous a work without seriously crippling its efforts in other departments of church enterprise.

Your Committee would, therefore, recommend that the Conference put an assessment of \$1,000 upon the Conference for the benefit of the American Bible Society, and that the same be apportioned among the different districts in the same ratio as during the preceding year; and we earnestly urge upon the pastors of the different charges the importance of collecting in full the amounts.

We further urge them to organize Auxiliary Societies with depositories at centres of trade, and request that they call attention of the people to the fact that Bibles can still be procured from the American Bible Society at half the cost of manufacture, for supplying poor Sunday School children with Bibles.

H. MELLARD, Chairman.

D. W. HEIDLEBERG, Secretary.

AMENDMENT.

Resolved, That we will use diligent efforts to supply our people, and especially the children and youth of our Sunday Schools, with copies of the Bible printed by the American Bible Society.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT,
J. A. B. JONES.

A letter from H. Cassidy, Esq., was read, in regard to the purchase by Conference of the library of the late Rev. Dr. H. F. Johnson. In response to which the following was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That B. F. Jones be appointed a Committee on behalf of this Conference, to communicate with Mrs. H. F. Johnson, with a view of purchasing the library of her late husband, Dr. H. F. Johnson. And that he raise funds to purchase same.

Resolved further, That when the library is purchased, that we donate the theological part of it to Millsaps College, and divide the scientific and literary part between Whitworth College and East Mississippi College.

President J. W. Beeson, of East Mississippi Female College, was introduced to the Conference, and read a report of his institution. The report was referred to the Board of Education.

The report of the Woodville Female College was referred to the Board of Education.

A. F. Watkins read the following, which was amended and adopted as the

REPORT ON ORPHANS' HOME.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Conference :

The Board of Directors of the proposed Mississippi Methodist Orphanage beg leave to present the following as its annual report :

Acting under the authority conferred by the annual Conference at the last session held in December, 1895, the Joint Commission, representing the Mississippi and the North Mississippi Conferences met in the city of Jackson on January the 8th, 1896, and organized the Board of Directors by electing W. A. Gunning President, J. M. Wyatt Vice-President, A. F. Watkins Secretary, and J. A. Bowen and M. L. Burton, Treasurers. The name "Mississippi Orphan's Home, M. E. Church South," was adopted as the name of the proposed institution; a committee was appointed to procure a charter, and the Secretary was ordered to publish advertisements for bids for location.

At Winona, Miss., on the 23rd of April, a second meeting of the Board was held, at which the Charter (a copy of which we herewith present as a part of our report) was adopted. The question of locating the Home was discussed and after carefully considering the bids offered, the city of Water Valley was selected as the most eligible. At this meeting a resolution was adopted, requesting the election, by each of the patronizing Conferences, of one additional layman, as a member of the Board. In this connection we think it well to say that the selection of Water Valley as the site of the Home was not made because we counted it simply the best of the several locations offered us; but we thought it a very suitable location and a very liberal bid, and we have not ceased to congratulate ourselves and the Church upon this very advantageous settlement of a question of such vital importance to the future of the institution. We have donated to us by the liberal and progressive citizens of this place, fifty acres of land, very suitable for our various purposes, and coming to within but little more than one-half mile to the railroad station and the center of the town. In addition it is due, to this place to say: that it is an exceptionally healthful, moral and progressive city of five thousand people and a strong Methodist center.

At an adjourned meeting held in Water Valley on April the 24th, committees were appointed to receive plans and estimates upon buildings, to secure bids upon materials and to inquire into the matter of transportation. At a subsequent meeting at Jackson, the plans for a handsome, commodious and well adapted building were selected and the contract for the material and erection of the building closed. Work upon the building will soon be begun and we hope in the early spring to report it ready for occupancy. During the sessions of the Conferences in December, 1895, subscriptions were raised, amounting in the aggregate to \$3,000.00, since that time from the observance of "Orphans Day," and from additional contributions, we have increased our fund until to-day there is reported by the Treasurers, from the North Mississippi Conference \$1,800.00 cash, and \$250.00 in subscriptions; and from the Mississippi Conference \$1,800.00 cash, and \$1,110.00 in subscriptions, giving us a total of \$3,600.00 in cash, and \$1,360.00 in subscriptions.

In conclusion we respectfully beg you to grant our request for an additional layman on the Board of Directors.

On motion of Rev. J. M. Weems, D. D., the report was amended appoint-

ing the first Sunday in April, and the succeeding Sundays where needed on circuits, to be observed as "Orphan's Day," and that our Sunday Schools and Epworth Leagues be requested to adopt the "Birth Day Box" for the benefit of the Home.

W. M. Thornton was added to the list of Directors of the Orphans' Home.

J. L. Suddoth, alternate from Brookhaven District, was recognized as a member in place of L. E. Alford, absent, and was placed on the Committee on Sabbath Observance.

The following was adopted as the

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

To Bishop Hendrix and the Members of the Mississippi Conference :

We, your Committee on Temperance, would respectfully recommend, in accordance with a request from the President and Secretary of the American Anti-Saloon League, that two delegates be appointed to represent this Conference at the said League to be held at Washington, D. C., December 8th to 10th, and that Bishop Hendrix be authorized to name the delegates.

J. T. NICHOLSON, Chairman.

M. M. BLACK, Secretary.

J. M. Morse and D. S. Harmon, were appointed delegates to attend the Anti-Saloon League, to be held in Washington City, December 8-10.

Question Fourth was called. "Who are admitted into full connection?" The following passed previously, came before the altar, were addressed by the Bishop, answered properly the questions of the discipline, and were admitted, viz: Clarence M. Crossley, Daniel Scarborough, Eugene E. Langford, Fletcher B. Ormond.

Miss Addie V. Marshall, President Woman's Missionary Society, and Miss Addie Purnell, President Mississippi Conference Parsonage and Home Mission Society, were introduced and addressed the Conference on their respective interests.

The following was adopted :

Resolved, That we have listened with pleasure to the addresses of Miss Addie Marshall, President of the Mississippi Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and of Miss Addie Purnell, President of the Mississippi Conference Parsonage and Home Mission Society, and pledge them our hearty co-operation in all our pastoral charges.

T. L. MELLEN,
N. B. HARMON.

C. G. Andrews submitted the following figures on publishing the minutes :

Cost of printing 3,000 copies for 1895.....	\$155 00
Express sending out minutes.....	10 00
Postage.....	23 28
Typewriting remainder of minutes of 1894.....	2 75
Typewriting minutes 1895.....	6 00

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By amount on hand from last year	\$ 21 98	
Received from last Conference	170 02	
Due to balance	5 05	
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ESTIMATE FOR 1896.

Printing 3,000 copies.....	\$132 00	
Cost of sending out.....	32 28	
To re-imburse for type writing.....	5 03	
Account to be furnished by the board of Missions, the Board of Education, the Board of Church Extension, the Sunday School Board and the Joint Board of Finance each \$ 34 06	\$170 20	
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Conference agreed to the appropriation for typewriting the minutes.

The Committee on Public Worship announced a missionary mass meeting for 7:30 p. m., addresses to be made by T. B. Holloman and by Bishop Hendrix.

The long metre doxology was sung and the Conference was adjourned with the benediction by W. B. Lewis, at the request of Bishop Hendrix.

FOURTH DAY.

PORT GIBSON, MISS., Dec. 5, 1896.

Conference met at 9 a. m., Bishop Hendrix presiding.

The religious services were conducted by T. L. Mellen. The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The following passed previously were referred to the Committee on Conference relations for the Superannuated relation, viz: R. S. Woodward, H. R. Caldwell, P. Howard, D. G. W. Ellis.

The Twentieth Question was resumed. "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?" The following were passed, viz: C. W. Crisler, R. W. Bailey, W. C. Black, B. F. Jones, T. L. Mellen, J. D. Crymes, I. W. Cooper, I. B. Robertson, B. W. Lewis, M. L. Burton, W. W. Morse, W. G. Backus, B. H. Rawls, J. M. Morse, E. F. Edgar, J. W. Tinnin, J. T. Abney, J. W. McLaurin, J. W. Chambers; W. B. Lewis, B. W. Lewis, J. G. Galloway, J. N. Tucker, B. S. Rayner, B. F. Lewis, R. S. Gale.

L. C. Cole was passed and was announced as transferred to the Louisville Conference.

Question Seventeenth was called. "Who are supernumerary?" The Committee on Conference Relations having reported favorably J. W. Sandell was granted a Supernumerary relation.

Question Eighteenth was called. "Who are Superannuated?" The Committee on Conference Relations having reported favorably on each of the following they were granted the Superannuated relation, viz: A. B. Nicholson, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, George Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Evans, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, R. S. Woodward and D. G. W. Ellis.

Question Fifth was called. "Who are readmitted?" Answer—None.

T. L. Mellen read the following which was adopted as

REPORT ON COLPORTAGE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

Your Colportage Board beg leave to report that notwithstanding many adverse circumstances, our General Colporter has had a very successful year.

We recommend that the Rev. R. W. Bailey be appointed General Colporter, and trust that he may be able to travel more largely through the bounds of our Conference during the coming year than he has heretofore been able to do. We bespeak for him a more liberal patronage.

T. L. MELLEN, Chairman.

E. A. Enochs, lay member from the Natchez District, was recognized as present.

The following was adopted as the

REPORT ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

Your committee has carefully examined the District Conference Records of Jackson, Vicksburg, Meridian, Brookhaven, Enterprise, Natchez, Seashore and Brandon Districts.

The record of the Jackson District has been neatly kept, but the names of W. E. Joyner, R. E. Spring, J. W. Holt and J. E. Turner do not indicate their relation to the Conference.

A few blots mar the neatness of the Vicksburg record. The records of the

Meridian, Brandon, Natchez, Enterprise and Brookhaven Districts have been correctly and neatly kept.

We consider the record of the Seashore District a model as to form and neatness.

W. M. WILLIAMS, Chairman.

C. F. EMERY, Secretary.

The following was read and adopted as

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

Your Committee beg leave to report that our Church is making gratifying progress. That our people are growing in the grace of liberality is evident from the numerous new churches and parsonages that have been built, and the repairing and improving those already built. The receipts for Conference collections and the salaries of the ministers are increasing.

The increase in the number of Epworth Leagues that have been organized and the attendance on Sunday Schools show that the children and young people are receiving greater attention at the hands of the church. We feel confident that the work done along this line will yield an abundant harvest for the cause of Christ and our beloved Methodism.

There is an increasing loyalty on the part of the membership of the Church manifested in the observance of our General Rules. We have cause to regret, however, that in many of our churches there are too many whose lives are inconsistent with the teachings of our Church and the Scriptures. We feel persuaded that in some cases a mild, but firm, administration of discipline would act as a wholesome tonic. We would urge our ministers to a persistent unity of action in this respect, to keep the Church "the Lambs Bride," pure and unspotted from the world. Let Methodists ever be known as a peculiar people, not only in their doctrines, but in their lives.

We fear that in some instances in our Conferences, Quarterly, District and Annual undue prominence is given to the material welfare of the Church, to the disparagement of the moral and spiritual.

Meetings held throughout the Conference show that the revival power abides with us. There has been an encouraging harvest of souls. Our people have also been built up in faith. Many new family altars have been erected.

We deprecate the practice that prevails in some of our protracted and camp-meetings of discounting our regular pastors by giving undue prominence and authority to professional evangelists. We would also discourage the holding of tent meetings in tents by traveling evangelists, in places where our church buildings afford sufficient accommodations for the congregations.

We have very much to encourage us. Grateful to our Heavenly Father for His presence and power with us in the past, aiding us in accomplishing what we have as a Church, and depending on Him to be with us in the future, we take courage and press forward.

Respectfully submitted,

B. S. RAYNER, Chairman.

M. H. MOORE, Secretary.

The following was read and adopted:

REPORT OF EPWORTH LEAGUES.

To the Mississippi Annual Conference:

BRETHREN—The League work has made substantial progress during the year. A large number of new Leagues have been organized and old Leagues have grown more efficient. There has been a quickening of interest among our preachers and presiding elders in matters pertaining to the League work, and a State Conference and a District Conference in the Meridian District have also proven very helpful.

The Second State Conference of Epworth Leagues will meet at Water Valley next May, and a large attendance is expected.

There is reason to expect large advance in the League work during the coming year.

J. W. CRISLER, President.

R. W. BAILEY, Secretary.

The following was read and adopted as

REPORT ON SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN—Your Committee on Sabbath observance beg leave to submit the following as their report:

While we rejoice to note the increasing undercurrent of conviction in favor of a more strict observance of the Sabbath, which we believe is the leaven that in due time will leaven the whole lump, we would protest against such practices as travelling on Sunday trains, receiving and delivering mails, visiting, purchasing and reading Sunday newspapers, etc.

We recommend that our preachers keep the subject constantly before the people, and that we cooperate with the State and National Sabbath Observance Union in their work.

We heartily endorse the action of this Conference with respect to the opening of the Conference session one day later that our brethren may not be under the necessity of travelling on Sunday to reach our Conference in time.

Respectfully submitted,

W. T. GRIFFIN, Chairman.

A. T. BELL, Secretary.

The following was read and adopted as

REPORT No 2 OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

DEAR BRETHREN—We have just cause to be profoundly grateful for the wonderful progress of the cause of temperance in our State in the past few years. In no other Southern State is legislation so favorable to the banishment of the licensed saloon, and if we will but push the battle, not many months will elapse before the entire commonwealth will be rid of the monster evil, which is still intrenched in seven or eight of our counties. Mississippi is now the forefront among her sister States in the matter of temperance reform, and we will be recreant to our duty if we do not press the fight until we have secured statutory prohibition for the whole State.

In order that we may hold the ground we have gained, it is of the highest importance that we continue to educate the people as to the magnitude of the evils resulting from the even moderate use of alcoholic beverages. The blessings of total abstinence need to be frequently and vividly pictured. Because we have gained a partial victory, let us not suppose that we can safely rest upon our oars. To grow inactive or indifferent, means the loss of hard-earned results.

We urge upon all our preachers the supreme importance of stressing the subject of temperance frequently, in order that the people may be alive to their duty. Let us never forget that we have an argus-eyed, relentless enemy to fight. Let temperance literature be constantly and widely circulated, a law abiding spirit must be inculcated, and the whole populace be imbued with strong temperance principles in order that a forward movement may become possible.

We recommend and urge co-operation with every non-political organization and every denomination that is willing to make common cause with us in driving out the whisky curse.

We are pleased to note that a large per cent. of our ministers use unfermented wine in administering the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and express the hope that its use for that purpose will soon become universal.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. NICHOLSON, Chairman.

M. M. BLACK, Secretary.

On motion of J. M. Weems, the Secretary was instructed to send the fraternal greetings of this Conference to the African Methodist Episcopal Church now in session at Raymond.

Whereupon the following was sent:

To the Bishop and Members of the African Methodist Episcopal Church :

BELOVED BRETHREN—The Mississippi Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, by formal vote, has instructed its Secretary to convey to you our most fraternal greeting.

We recognize you as worthy co-laborers in the vineyard of the Master, and as being important factors in the elevation and christianization of the colored race in our midst.

We pray that you may have a harmonious and successful session, and that the coming year may bring to you unparalleled success.

Very sincerely yours,

C. G. ANDREWS,

Secretary Mississippi Conference.

PORT GIBSON, Miss., Dec. 5, 1896.

The following was read and ordered recorded as

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS

We glory in representing both great arms of the missionary body. We recognize the truth so happily expressed by Dr. Schauffler, that "There can be no foreign missionary work without live and vigorous *home* missionary work; and there can be no live and vigorous churches in the home land without that missionary spirit which is progressive and world-embracing. That church is dead which is not anxious to preach the gospel to *every* creature. "It is worth while to sow beside all waters."

The work is indeed one. The whole world is becoming so neighborly through highways of commerce over land and sea; by ocean cables and trans-continental wires, that the word "foreign" is liable to lose its significance before many decades elapse. Which of us may not have posterity planted in lands our eyes have never seen, and speaking in tongues our ears have never heard? God, our Father, is rapidly gathering together into one family, all His children who are scattered abroad.

Our hearts have been greatly stirred and our spirits cheered to learn of the steady and healthful growth of all our Mission sabroad. China, Japan, Brazil, and Mexico, have sent us good tidings of joy. Our men and women have stood nobly at their posts and many souls have been brought out of darkness into The Light. The long and sometimes dangerous seed-sowing in China has found fuller fruition than ever before. The visit of the great Viceroy promises greater friendliness and encouragement in official circles in that land which seems the very citadel of heathenism. We are glad that Li Hung Chang recognizes the disinterested and philanthropic nature of our work. His world-wide trip, in broadening his views, may easily result, under God's directing hand, in widening the sphere of *our* influence among the Celestials.

We note with gratitude the preservation of our missions and missionaries during the recent storms and floods in Japan, and that the Spirit's mighty power has again been so strikingly manifest in the assemblies of our people there.

In Brazil and Mexico much increase and progress (religious and educational) have marked the year. They are moving toward self-support with gratifying speed. The work seems thorough and practical.

It is with peculiar pleasure that we note the opening of work in the capital city of Korea by our brother, C. F. Reid, who has done so many years' work efficiently in China. May the success, as well as the spirit, of the Lambuths be his. The conditions, civil and political, of this great city (fully as large as New Orleans) make it a highly strategic point for planting the standard of our King. Let us pray and *pay* for the speedy and full establishment of soul-saving agencies in Seoul. It gives us great hope and encouragement that our cultured and consecrated Korean convert, Mr. T. H. Yun, is at the head of government education.

Our sisters of the W. F. M. Society, and the P. and H. M. Society have been "lengthening their cords and strengthening their stakes" in many ways, especially in China and at their noble institution in Kansas City, "The Scarritt Bible and Training School." Here consecrated young women are being

equipped for the Christly mission of healing body and soul simultaneously. We call marked attention to their own reports submitted and read by Miss Addie Marshall and Addie Purnell to Conference.

Our western Mission fields have yielded as much of golden grain for God's garner as the peculiar conditions there prevailing will admit. We long to see a thorough federation of our work with that of sister Methodisms in this, and indeed, in *every* field.

Within our own bounds many souls have been saved, much property added and connectional causes aided by the faithful and true men who have toiled in our outlying territory. These are worthy of double honor and should have at least double as much financial aid as our treasury promises to yield them.

Brethren, let us more generally organize into Missionary Reading Circles. Let us fill our minds with Missionary facts and tarry at the feet of Jesus till He endue us with Pentecostal fire.

Then may we hope to enlighten our minds, quicken the consciences, warm the hearts and loosen the purse strings of our people in behalf of Missions—the very soul of religion—which always animates the true “Body of Christ.”

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY CONFERENCE.

1st Resolution, We urge all our people to subscribe for and read carefully our Missionary periodicals—such as the “Review of Missions,” “The Woman's Missionary Advocate,” “Our Homes,” “The World for Christ,” “Little Worker,” and “The Evangel.” Two or more of these (or better *all* of them) entering regularly our Methodist homes will soon hush the faintest whisper of opposition to the “Great Commission.”

2d Resolution, We will take our Missionary collections *early*, and strive to secure every dollar in cash and subscriptions during the *first* quarter.

3d Resolution, We continue Rev. J. B. Fearn, M. D., now of our China Mission Conference, as our Special Missionary, and urge liberal contributions to his support.

4th Resolution, We ask about \$400 more towards building the “Lambuth Training School at Kobi, Japan.”

5th Resolution, We commend to our laymen the endowment of “Scholarships,” in said school. These will cost but \$50.00 per year.

6th Resolution, That all money raised for Foreign and Domestic Missions on regular assessments be promptly forwarded to our own Treasurer.

7th Resolution, That we urge all our preachers to organize every Sunday School in our Conference into a Missionary Society as required by the Board of Discipline.

8th Resolution, That no money be paid Domestic Missionary work except by our Treasurer, and this only after quarterly reports in due form. The form will be furnished early by said Treasurer.

Resolved, That in all our protracted and camp meetings one day be given to fasting and prayer for our foreign missionary work, and that sermons be preached on said day on this subject.

MISSIONARY BOARD.

W. B. Lewis, president; W. L. C. Hunnicutt, vice-president; J. P. Drake, secretary; B. F. Jones, treasurer; J. V. Penn, statistical secretary: — — —; A. D. Miller, agent for Indian Missions. Other members—B. F. Rawls, W. G. Forsythe, J. M. Morse, Irvin Miller, L. P. Brown, D. F. Ashford, R. H. Noblin, W. E. Harris, J. H. Thompson, D. W. Heidelberg, J. A. McLeod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. DRAKE, Secretary.

A letter from Dr. J. B. Fearn, our special missionary to China, was read. A collection and subscription for the special support of Dr. Fearn were raised, amounting to \$353.00.

Question Thirtieth was called. “What has been contributed for missions?” Foreign missions, \$6,231.48: Domestic, \$2,545.00.

Irvin Miller addressed the Conference advocating the claims of the Indian

Mission of our Conference. A collection and subscription were raised for the benefit of the Indian Mission as follows, viz: Cash \$36.75: Subscription, \$9.50.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The following amounts have been received from the districts for Foreign Missions:

Brandon District.....	\$ 659 40
Brookhaven District.....	1 060 40
Enterprise District.....	506 65
Jackson District.....	935 65
Meridian District.....	618 68
Natchez District.....	621 00
Seashore District.....	774 60
Vicksburg District.....	1 015 85

\$6 192 23

Anniversary Collection..... 39 25

Total \$6 231 48

Paid for publication of Minutes..... 17 00

Remitted to T. B. Holt, Treasurer..... \$6 214 48

Special to Dr. Fearn..... 110 50

Special to Mrs. Lambuth's School..... 175 00

The following amounts have been received from the Districts for Domestic Missions:

Brandon District.....	\$ 265 70
Brookhaven District.....	407 65
Enterprise District.....	200 95
Jackson District.....	430 10
Meridian District.....	220 75
Natchez District.....	232 10
Seashore District.....	295 55
Vicksburg District.....	418 15

\$2 505 95

Anniversary Collection..... 39 30

\$2 545 25

Paid for publication of Minutes..... 17 05

\$2 562 20

The following assessments have been made on the Districts for 1897:

For Foreign Missions.

For Domestic Missions.

Brandon District.....	\$ 955 00	\$ 378 00
Brookhaven District.....	1,360 00	550 80
Enterprise District.....	1,000 00	414 00
Jackson District.....	1,310 00	540 00
Meridian District.....	1,080 00	400 00
Natchez District.....	1,035 00	400 00
Sea Shore District.....	1,000 00	414 00
Vicksburg District.....	1,310 00	540 00

\$9,050 00

\$3,636 00

B. F. JONES, Treasurer.

The following was read and adopted as the

REPORT OF BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The Board of Church Extension would respectfully present you their annual statement, as follows:

Detailed information concerning the progress of the work may be found in the fourteenth annual report of the General Board of Church Extension published May 1, 1896, and also in the minutes of the 81st Session of the Mississippi Annual Conference.

From these sources it will be seen that during the fourteen years of the Board's existence, 132 Churches within our bounds have received aid from the Church Extension funds amounting to \$12,762.00 in donations, and \$700.00 in loans.

The total contributions from within our bounds during the period of fourteen years, amounted to \$22,472.92.

We note with gratification an increasing interest of the great cause, which is of itself but a branch of the great Missionary movement of the Church.

For the Missionary, whether in the home or foreign field, is almost helpless without Church buildings and parsonages.

In 1895 we reported an increase over the receipts of 1894, and now even though the pressure of the hard times continues, we are cheered with an increase over the receipts from the various Districts last year.

The comparison of the receipts from the several Districts and the totals for the years named, is as follows:

	Assessed.	Paid.
Vicksburg District	\$ 450 00	\$ 279 65
Jackson District	450 00	273 90
Brookhaven District.....	450 00	315 30
Meridian District	370 00	166 90
Sea Shore District.....	300 00	188 80
Natchez District	280 00	128 90
Enterprise District.....	225 00	104 75
Brandon District.....	200 00	183 30
	<hr/> \$2,725 00	<hr/> \$1,641 50

Total last year, \$1,628.45; total this, \$1,861.31, an increase of \$232.86.

There were fifteen applications before the Board requesting aid, in the sum of \$2,327.00.

Your Board had only \$878.65 to meet these urgent demands.

Thirteen of these applications were granted donations, viz:

Mt. Tabor.....	\$ 10 00
Chunky.....	20 00
Pleasant Ridge.....	25 00
Redwood	25 00
Raleigh.....	25 00
Poplar Springs.....	50 00
Maunassas.....	50 00
Bethany.....	60 00
Singleton	60 00
Gulf Port.....	100 00
Knoxville.....	100 00
Bay St. Louis.....	150 00
North Wesson... ..	150 00

Total distributed to churches.....	\$ 825 00
To printing Minutes.....	34 05
Expense account	5 75
By amount to General Board.....	820 75
Amount in Treasury.....	13 85

Total to all sources.....\$ 1,699 40

The Board deferred acting upon the application from the Vicksburg church as it is not yet in building and many necessitous cases were before us demanding immediate help.

The assessments upon the several Districts are as follows :

Vicksburg District.....	\$511 95
Jackson District.....	511 95
Brookhaven District.....	511 95
Meridian District.....	420 90
Seashore District.....	341 28
Natchez District.....	318 55
Enterprise District.....	255 90
Brandon District.....	227 65

The Board would direct your attention to the following important facts :

At Pass Christian, a town on the Gulf coast of about 3000 inhabitants, the Mississippi Conference owns two beautiful lots centrally located and valued at \$1,000.00, but which you have never utilized. We have no church building nor Methodist preaching at this important point.

Then we would also note the fact that at Waveland, a town in the same section of about 800 or 1000, and also Mississippi City, which has a population of about 2000, we have neither lots nor buildings.

It gives us pleasure to announce that Bro. R. L. Bennett, of Yazoo City, donated to the Mississippi Conference two beautiful lots at Gulfport, the southern terminus of the Gulf and Ship Island Railroad.

The Parsonage and Home Mission Society.

The third annual meeting of the Parsonage and Home Mission Society of the Mississippi Conference, was held in the Methodist Church at Paulding, Miss., July 12-14, 1896.

The annual sermon was preached Sunday, July 12, at 11 o'clock by Rev. T. B. Holloman, from the text, "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. vi:11.

The progress of this very important branch of our work is an unequivocal testimony of the divine blessing upon humble efforts.

Your board would voice the sentiment of the following resolution offered at the morning session December 4th, by Rev. T. L. Mellen.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the addresses of Miss Addie Marshall, President of the Mississippi Conference Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, and of Miss Addie Purnell, President of the Mississippi Conference Parsonage and Home Mission Society, and pledge them our cordial cooperation in our respective charges.

At the request of Miss Purnell your secretary read to the Conference the following resolution from minutes of last year :

WHEREAS, Bishop W. W. Duncan, now presiding at the Mississippi Conference, has given hearty support and helpful encouragement to the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society, therefore,

Resolved, That we urge upon the Conference to heed his timely suggestion and strenuously endeavor to convert all the Local Aid Societies in our bounds into parsonage and Home Mission auxiliaries.

The officers for the ensuing year are as follows :

President, Miss Addie Purnell, Jackson, Miss.; Vice-President, Mrs. J. B. Chatfield, Meridian, Miss.; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. S. S. Cope, Paulding Miss.; Recording Secretary, Mrs. B. F. Lewis, Woodville, Miss.; Treasurer, Mrs. T. B. Holloman, Jackson, Miss.; Auditor, Mrs. T. H. West, Jackson, Miss.; Editor of the W. P. and H. M. column in N. O. Advocate, Mrs. R. R. Parker.

Several parsonages have been aided during the year.

N. B. HARMON, Secretary.

Question Thirty-Second was called. "What has been contributed for Church Extension?" \$1,861:31.

The following was adopted :

RESOLUTION ON JUVENILE REFORMATORY.

WHEREAS, The Legislature of Mississippi at its last session passed a bill

providing for a Juvenile Reformatory in connection with the State penitentiary; and whereas that bill has not become a law; therefore be it

Resolved, By the Mississippi Annual Conference in session at Port Gibson, that Governor McLaurin and the Legislature of Mississippi be, and they are hereby petitioned to co-operate in the passage of said bill, or of some other bill adapted to prevent youthful offenders from being subjected to the same confinement and discipline with old and hardened criminals.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT,
E. H. MOUNGER.

Question Fourth was resumed. "Who are admitted into full connection?" The following having traveled two years consecutively, and having stood approved examinations, were brought before the chair, answered properly the disciplinary questions, and were admitted, viz: John C. Ellis, George W. Huff.

The following was read and adopted as

REPORT ON PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

We, the Committee on the Publishing Interests of the Church, ask to make the following report:

The last report of the agents, of our Publishing House, at Nashville, Tenn., shows the business of the house to be solid and prosperous.

The Publishing House renders invaluable service to the Church in supplying a high grade of literature, at prices within the reach of the people. The report of the agents shows an increase in the business of the house.

Out of the proceeds of the house for the year, the Book Committee ordered \$20,000 to be distributed to the Annual Conferences for the Superannuated preachers, and for widows and orphans of deceased preachers.

The Nashville Advocate still maintains its high standard of excellence under the able editorship of Dr. Hoss. It is a matter of regret, that the circulation of so valuable a paper is not greater.

There has been little change in the condition of the Methodist Review. It is gratifying to note its recognition by journals of the highest class as in the front rank of periodicals of its kind.

Our Sunday School department is sending out literature of the highest grade.

We commend it to the church to be universally used in the place of so-called union literature, and furthermore, we suggest that our preachers discourage the use of union literature in our schools. We recognize in the Review of Missions, edited by Dr. Lambuth, a truly excellent missionary periodical, ably edited, and conveying to the church essential information. It is to be regretted that its circulation is not greater. It is the opinion of your committee that if a copy of this "Review" could be placed in every home in our connection, it would greatly increase the collection for missions. We would urge upon our preachers, that they endeavor to place the Review in as many homes as possible.

"The World for Christ" is one of the very best missionary periodicals of its class, and its price places it within the reach of all; it should find a place in every home.

The condition of the Epworth Era remains about the same.

Our Conference organ, the New Orleans Christian Advocate, under the wise and conservative management of Dr. Black, is meeting all the requirements of a first-class organ, and we earnestly and cordially recommend it to the patronage of the whole Conference as a vehicle through which the church can express her thought, advocate her enterprises, defend her policies, and uphold her faith. The improvement in the appearance of the paper is gratifying, and its financial condition is much improved, through the increase of its subscription lists.

We would emphatically recommend to all our people that they do full duty in connection with our Advocate; we would insist that we concentrate upon it, in order to give it the nourishment of every subscription. If we can take but one religious paper, let it be the New Orleans Advocate. If we can afford two let us add the Nashville Advocate, and let us be constant in urging the value lying in this suggestion as your committee see it.

We recommend the re-appointment of the present publishing committee of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, R. J. Jones, W. B. Lewis, and R. W. Bailey.

We recommend the re-appointment of Rev. W. C. Black as editor.

Signed for the committee,

W. J. DAWSON, Chairman.

The following was read and adopted :

REPORT OF THE JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Joint Board of Finance ask leave to offer their report for the year 1896, accounting for the funds under our control.

The continuance of the quarterly payment to our claimants is recommended. The Treasurer was unable to make the third payment because of the failure of some of the preachers to take the collection at the proper time.

We again renew the request that the first Sunday in March be observed as "Veteran's Day," and that on that Sunday and the Sundays following on the circuits, a collection be taken for the Conference Claimants. Our preachers are asked to take this collection *on its merits*, and not to mix it up or tack it on to any other collection. Remit as soon as collected to W. M. Thornton, Lake, Miss., Treasurer.

The following amounts have been apportioned to our claimants for the year 1897 :

APPORTIONMENTS.

Miss Georgia Stewart.....	\$ 25 00	Rev. H. B. Hines	\$ 200 00
Mrs. William Finn	100 00	Rev. H. J. Harris.....	150 00
Mrs. T. Y. Armstrong.....	100 00	Mrs. D. Merchant	100 00
Mrs. J. M. Williams	75 00	Rev. A. B. Nicholson	200 00
Mrs. S. Dawson.....	100 00	Rev. E. A. Flowers	50 00
Mrs. H. H. Montgomery	100 00	Mrs. J. A. Ellis.....	100 00
Mr. John Calhoun.....	50 00	Mrs. W. E. Ballard.....	50 00
Mrs. J. J. Smylie.....	100 00	Mrs. C. C. Watkins	20 00
Mrs. Laura Price	125 00	Rev. H. R. Caldwell	150 00
Mrs. J. A. Newsom.....	25 00	Rev. George Bancroft.....	200 00
Mrs. V. H. Johnson	100 00	Rev. J. M. Pugh	150 00
Mrs. D. W. Dillehay.....	75 00	Mrs. D. A. Little	150 00
Mrs. William Wadsworth.....	50 00	Mrs. J. W. Ellison.....	100 00
Mrs. Jo. Nicholson	125 00	Rev. J. H. Evans.....	150 00
Mrs. Matt. Calhoun.....	125 00	Mrs. H. D. Berry	100 00
Mrs. E. R. Strickland.....	100 00	Rev. R. A. Sibley	150 00
Mrs. G. M. Gillmore.....	100 00	Rev. N. B. Young.....	150 00
Mrs. D. M. Wiggins.....	100 00	Rev. J. A. Vance	100 00
Mrs. W. G. Millsaps	25 00	Mrs. N. M. Clark	100 00
Mrs. J. L. Forsythe.....	100 00	Mrs. P. Cooper	25 00
Mrs. H. F. Johnson	150 00	Rev. R. S. Woodward.....	300 00
Mrs. G. Hawkins	75 00	Rev. D. G. W. Ellis.....	150 00
Mrs. J. M. Gann.....	25 00	Rev. P. Howard	125 00
Mrs. Ben. Jones	100 00		
			\$4,970 00

The assessment for Conference claimants for the year 1897, is \$6,000.00, divided among the different Districts as follows :

Natchez District	\$ 750 00
Vicksburg District.....	800 00
Jackson District	875 00
Brookhaven District	875 00
Brandon District.....	660 00
Enterprise District.....	700 09
Meridian District	665 00
Sea Shore District.....	675 00
	\$6,000 00

Assessments for Bishops \$1,300, apportioned as follows :

Natchez District	\$ 165 00
Vicksburg District.....	175 00
Jackson District	175 00
Brookhaven District	175 00
Brandon District.....	155 00
Enterprise District.....	150 00
Meridian District	155 00
Sea Shore District.....	150 00

We beg leave to call attention to the amount paid for expenses of delegates to General Conference of \$875.00. It was assessed and collected as follows :

	ASSESSED.	COLLECTED.	DEFICIT.
Natchez District.....	\$120 00	\$ 19 75	\$100 25
Vicksburg District.....	120 00	56 50	63 50
Jackson District.....	125 00	63 50	61 50
Brookhaven District.....	120 00	54 25	65 75
Brandon District.....	95 00	60 05	34 95
Enterprise District.....	95 00	29 45	65 55
Meridian District.....	105 00	23 00	82 00
Seashore District.....	95 00	42 60	52 40
	<u>\$875 00</u>	<u>\$349 10</u>	<u>\$525 90</u>

The deficits are respectfully returned to the various districts, and the preachers are asked to make an effort to bring it up in full at the next Conference. The presiding elders are requested to call the attention of the District Stewards to this deficit. It is not expected that the charges reporting it as having been paid in full, shall again be called upon for it.

We report the collection for Bishops as follows : Assessment, \$1,475.00.

DISTRICTS.	AMOUNT.	PAID.	EXCESS.	DEFICIT.
Vicksburg	\$ 200 00	\$ 204 70	\$ 4 70	\$.....
Natchez	200 00	188 00	.....	12 00
Jackson.....	200 00	201 25	1 25	.....
Brookhaven.....	200 00	207 00	7 00	.....
Brandon.....	165 00	165 00	.....	.....
Enterprise.....	165 00	145 40	.....	19 60
Meridian.....	180 00	158 00	.....	22 00
Seashore	165 00	165 00	.....	.....
	<u>\$1 475 00</u>	<u>\$1 408 35</u>	<u>\$12 95</u>	<u>\$69 60</u>

We note a deficit of \$69.60 in the Natchez, Enterprise and Meridian Districts. The Brandon and Seashore Districts pay up in full. Jackson, Vicksburg and Brookhaven report an excess of \$12.95.

On the Conference collections we report:

DISTRICTS.	AMOUNT.	PAID.	DEFICIT.
Natchez.....	\$ 800 00	\$ 476 40	\$ 323 60
Vicksburg	800 00	691 90	108 10
Jackson.....	850 00	681 65	168 35
Brookhaven.....	850 00	741 45	108 55
Brandon.....	660 00	518 30	141 70
Enterprise.....	660 00	390 80	261 20
Meridian	720 00	458 38	291 62
Seashore.....	660 00	485 15	174 85
	<u>\$6 000 00</u>	<u>\$4 402 68</u>	<u>\$1 561 32</u>

No district has paid this assessment in full. The Vicksburg District reports one charge, Anguilla, as overpaid, and seven paid in full; Natchez, two paid in full; Seashore two in full; Meridian, one, West End, overpaid, and one in full; Enterprise one, Shubuta overpaid, one in full; Brandon, four paid in full. Jackson District has one, Capital Street, Jackson,

overpaid and six in full; Seashore, one; Hattiesburg overpaid two in full; Brookhaven, three; Crystal Springs, Hazlehurst and Gallman, overpaid, seven paid up in full. We call attention to the record of the Brandon District: Every charge remitted its collection to the Treasurer early in the year. In this respect it is the model District of the Conference. On account of the failure of the Preachers to send in their Conference collections at the proper time, the Treasurer found himself, at the beginning of the second quarter, without the requisite amount necessary to pay the allowances. He was compelled to apply to the Treasurer of the Conference Endowment Fund for the interest of that Fund, and also to use the \$500.00 received from Mrs. Lucinda Henderson. These amounts must be returned to the Endowment Fund.

The amounts received and collected are:

From regular Collections.....	\$4,433 93
From Publishing House.....	759 00
Colvin Fund.....	24 00
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	\$5,216 93

We have expended:

For publishing minutes, 1895.....	\$33 75
Stationery and stamps.....	12 00
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	\$45 75

The following are the amounts paid to Conference claimants:

NO.	NAME.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.
1	Miss Georgia Stuart.....	J. W. Brown.....	\$ 25 00
2	Mrs. Wm. Finn.....	A. F. Watkins.....	100 00
3	Mrs. A. M. Barrington.....		37 00
4	Mrs. T. Y. Armstrong.....	D. C. Langford.....	100 00
5	Mrs. J. N. Williams.....	C. McDonald.....	75 00
6	Mrs. S. Dawson.....	W. M. Thornton.....	125 00
7	Mrs. H. H. Montgomery.....	W. M. Thornton.....	125 00
8	Mr. John Calhoun.....	W. M. Thornton.....	50 00
9	Mrs. J. J. Smylie.....	J. W. Beeson.....	100 00
10	Mrs. Laura Price.....	G. W. Hull.....	125 00
11	Mrs. J. A. Newsom.....	H. W. Featherstun.....	25 00
12	Mrs. V. H. Johnson.....	A. D. Miller.....	100 00
13	Mrs. D. W. Dillehay.....	W. M. Thornton.....	75 00
14	Mrs. Wm. Wadsworth.....	W. M. Thornton.....	50 00
15	Mrs. Joseph Nicholson.....	W. M. Thornton.....	125 00
16	Mrs. Matt Calhoun.....	W. M. Thornton.....	125 00
17	Mrs. E. R. Strickland.....	J. M. Morse.....	100 00
18	Mrs. G. M. Gilmore.....	J. W. Beeson.....	125 00
19	Mrs. D. M. Wiggins.....	W. J. Ferguson.....	100 00
20	Mrs. W. G. Millsaps.....	W. G. Backus.....	25 00
21	Mrs. J. L. Forsythe.....	M. L. Burton.....	100 00
22	Mrs. H. F. Johnson.....	J. W. Chambers.....	150 00
23	Mrs. G. Hawkins.....	C. A. Powell.....	75 00
24	Mrs. J. M. Gann.....	W. H. Huntley.....	25 00
25	Mrs. Ben Jones.....	N. B. Harmon.....	100 00
26	Rev. W. B. Hines.....	W. G. Backus.....	300 00
27	Rev. H. J. Harris.....	B. S. Rayner.....	125 00
28	Mrs. D. Merchant.....	F. M. Keen.....	106 25
29	Rev. A. B. Nicholson.....	I. W. Cooper.....	200 00
30	Rev. E. A. Flowers.....	E. T. Breland.....	50 00
31	Mrs. J. A. Ellis.....	H. M. Ellis.....	100 00
32	Mrs. W. E. Ballard.....	M. M. Black.....	50 00
33	Mrs. C. C. Watkins.....	Self.....	20 00
34	Mr. Otis Calhoun.....	W. M. Thornton.....	12 50
35	Rev. H. R. Caldwell.....	Self.....	150 00
36	Rev. George Bancroft.....	W. W. Simmons.....	200 00
37	Rev. J. M. Pugh.....	G. R. Ellis.....	150 00

NO.	NAME.	TO WHOM PAID.	AMOUNT.
38	Mrs. D. A. Little.....	H. M. Ellis.....	\$150 00
39	Mrs. J. W. Ellison.....	A. F. Watkins.....	100 00
40	Rev. J. H. Evans.....	W. J. Dawson.....	150 00
41	Mrs. H. D. Berry.....	W. G. Backus.....	100 00
42	Rev. R. A. Sibley.....	Self.....	150 00
43	Rev. N. B. Young.....	W. H. Huntley.....	150 00
44	Rev. V. V. Boon.....	Self.....	100 00
45	Rev. J. A. Vance.....	P. H. Howse.....	100 00
46	Mrs. P. Cooper.....	I. W. Cooper.....	25 00
...	Mrs. W. H. Watkins.....	.....	.....
...	Mrs. M. A. Bell.....	.....	.....
...	Mrs. C. C. Calloway.....	.....	.....
...	Mrs. F. M. Featherstun.....	.....	.....
...	Mrs. W. W. Drake.....	.....	.....
...	Rev. John W. Harmon.....	.....	.....
...	Mrs. T. S. West.....	.....	.....

Respectfully Submitted,

JNO. W. CHAMBERS, Chairman.

W. A. GUNNING, Secretary.

Question Twenty-Ninth was called: "What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?" \$6,000.00

Question Thirtieth was called: "What has been collected on the foregoing and how has it been applied?"

From Pastoral charges.....	\$ 4,433 93
From Publishing House.....	759 00
From Colvin Fund.....	24 00

\$5,216 93

For application, see the report of the Joint Board of Finance.

The Committee on Public Worship withdrew the appointment to preach at 3 P. M., of Rev. T. B. Clifford.

The Conference resolved to meet in regular session at 3 P. M.

The following list of appointments for the Sabbath was submitted by the Committee on Public Worship:

Methodist Church, Love Feast, 9 A. M., L. S. Jones; 11 A. M., Bishop Hendrix; 3 P. M., C. G. Andrews; 7:30 P. M.; Memorial Service. Presbyterian Church, 11 A. M., W. C. Black; 7:30 P. M., W. B. Lewis. Methodist Church to-day: 7:30 P. M., H. E. Partridge. Crawford Street, Vicksburg, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., H. W. Featherstun. At M. E. colored Church, 11 A. M., M. L. Burton; 3 P. M., M. H. Moore; 7:30 P. M., J. M. Morse.

The long meter doxology was sung, and the Conference adjourned with benediction by W. L. C. Hunnicutt, at the request of the Bishop, to meet at 3 P. M.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON.

PORT GIBSON, MISS., Dec. 5, 3 P. M.

The Conference met at 3 P. M., Bishop Hendrix in the chair.

The religious services were conducted by H. W. Featherstun.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following was read and adopted as

REPORT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

PORT GIBSON, Dec. 5, 1896.

The Sunday School Board would submit the following report:

The vacancy caused by the loss of Bro. J. G. Sibley, has been filled by the election of Rev. R. A. Breland as a member of the Board. Rev. H. P. Lewis was elected Treasurer in the place of Bro. John A. Guice, who resigned.

A balance of \$410.70 remained in the treasury at the beginning of the year.

The receipts from collections on Childrens' Day, amounted to \$483.26.

The following expenditures were made:

Sunday School literature, and programs for Children's Day	\$255 26
For Bibles at half price	52 81
Incidental.....	33 70
Paid for publishing minutes	34 06
Amount due General Sunday School Board.....	48 32
Amount due General Board of Education	48 32

Total accounted for as above.....\$472 41

A disbursement of total amount of balance on hand at the first of the year, \$410.79, was made by payment of \$205.39 to the Treasurer of the Conference Board of Education, and same amount to the Treasurer of the General Sunday School Board.

We direct applications for aid to be made to Rev. J. W. Brown; also that Childrens' Day collections be promptly forwarded to Rev. H. P. Lewis.

We trust that the large increase in the amount we have used for the benefit of needy Sunday Schools this year; also the substantial aid rendered the cause of education will duly commend this interest to our pastors as eminently worthy to receive universal attention.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That application for aid be made at, or before, the Annual Conference, for the ensuing year.

J. WILSON BROWN, Chairman.

The following questions were called:

Question Twenty-One. "What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference? Preachers, 134, white members, 37,686.

Question Twenty-Two. "How many infants have been baptized during the year?" 919

Question Twenty-Three. "How many adults have been baptized during the year?" 1,007.

Question Twenty-Four. "What is the number of Epworth Leagues?" 45.

Question Twenty-Four. "What is the number of Epworth League members?" 1,532.

Question Twenty-Six. "What is the number of Sunday Schools?" 336.

Question Twenty-Seven. "What is the number of Sunday School teachers?" 1,956.

Question Twenty-Eight. "What is the number of Sunday School scholars?" 15,960.

Question Thirty-One. "What has been contributed for Missions?" Foreign, \$6,528.93; Domestic, \$2,517.00.

Question Thirty-Three. "What has been done for the American Bible Society?" Collected, 798.63.

Question Thirty-Four. "What has been contributed for the support of the Presiding Elders and preachers in charge?" Presiding Elders, \$8,804.75; Preachers in charge, \$58,505.02.

Question Thirty-Five. "What has been contributed for the support of the Bishops?" \$1,424.60.

Question Thirty-Six. "What is the number of Societies and the number and estimated value of church edifices?" Societies, 456; church edifices, 405; value, \$418,480.00.

Question Thirty-Seven. "What is the number of pastoral charges and the number and value of parsonages owned by them?" Charges, 121; parsonages, 100; value, \$88,102.00.

Question Thirty-Eight. "What is the number and value of District parsonages?" Number, 4; value, \$5,753.00.

The following was read and adopted as

Report of Board of Education.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference, M. E. Church South :

DEAR BROTHERS—Your Board of Education beg leave to present the following as its annual report, viz :

MILLSAPS COLLEGE.

It is pleasant to note the fact that the present session promises to be the most successful in the history of this institution. There have been enrolled already as many pupils as during the last session. Increased facilities of instruction have been added both in the number of teachers employed and in other particulars.

The completion of the "Webster Science Hall," the latest expression of the abiding interest of Major Millsaps, gives us more adequate provision in the way of recitation rooms.

A new venture, but one long contemplated and evidently demanded by the condition of affairs, is the organization of the Department of Law, under the able management of Dr. Edward Mayes, an honored member of our Church—a lawyer of distinguished ability—and a teacher of long and successful experience. We wish to express our great gratification at the action of the Board of Trustees, and we are gratified to know that the department is meeting with marked success.

Our attention has been called to the fact that the terms of four Trustees of Millsaps College expire with this session of our Conference, and we respectfully recommend that W. L. Nugent, Peter James, W. B. Lewis and A. F. Watkins be re-elected members of the Board of Trustees.

We desire to express our appreciation of the signal ability with which the President, Dr. W. B. Murrah, is discharging the duties of his responsible office, and the efficiency of the faculty of the institution. In conclusion we would express our sense of obligation to Major R. W. Millsaps for the princely liberality and continued personal service to which the College so largely owes its existence and continued prosperity.

WHITWORTH FEMALE COLLEGE.

We reproduce as part of our report extracts from the report of the Board of Trustees of this honored institution, and express our sincere pleasure in the remarkable success which has attended the efforts of President Chambers and others to promote the success and usefulness of an institution so sacredly associated with the name of Dr. H. F. Johnson, and conspicuously useful to our church and the State in the years of the past. We respectfully recommend the reappointment of the Rev. John W. Chambers as President and financial agent of the College.

The Trustees have reported in part as follows:

"We are pleased to state that Whitworth College has entered upon a year of unusual prosperity under the administration of Rev. John W. Chambers. The register shows an enrollment of 158 pupils, of which number there are 96 boarders. The progress of the students is gratifying to the teachers and patrons. There are eight teachers in the literary department, and four music teachers. Rev. Charles W. Crisler has been added to the faculty, and is giving eminent satisfaction. Five hundred dollars have been expended on the College building since the last report."

President Chambers deserves and should receive the cordial co-operation of the Mississippi Conference.

We recommend the appointment of Chas. W. Crisler as a Professor in Whitworth College.

PORT GIBSON FEMALE COLLEGE.

Has opened its present session more encouragingly than for many years. There are eleven officers and teachers thoroughly equipped for their work. The total enrollment for the present year is 85, having 62 in the Literary department, 35 in music, 17 in art, 5 in elocution and 5 in dress making. We were

pleased to have with us Miss Park, one of the principals, and commend the management in the gratifying success attending their efforts in behalf of this institution.

EDWARD MCGEEHEE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS.

Is now occupying the handsome new buildings erected near the site of the old historic one which was burned last year. It has been built at a cost of \$7,000, while other equally important improvements are contemplated. Its faculty is complete, while the attendance is large, enrolling 30 boarders. This institution is meeting a pressing need of our church in that section of our Conference. We would respectfully recommend the appointment of Rev. J. N. Tucker to the financial agency of Edward McGehee College.

EAST MISSISSIPPI FEMALE COLLEGE.

We are more than gratified at the unprecedented prosperity of the East Mississippi Female College, under the efficient management of the recently elected president, Prof. J. W. Beeson. Its dormitories have been filled to overflowing with boarders, and new buildings have been erected and paid for. Over \$4,000 have been expended in permanent improvements, and in liquidation of outstanding moneyed obligations the present year. Its faculty is composed of specialists in each department. There are 75 boarders in the college, while the total enrollment is over 200. Never has the outlook been more flattering. It is an up to date college and in every respect is worthy the support of our people. We heartily congratulate its Board of Trustees in their good fortune in securing Prof. Beeson as president of this institution for a term of years.

PAINE AND LANE INSTITUTE.

The relation which the C. M. E. Church sustains to our own Church is such as to impose upon us a peculiar responsibility and a peculiar interest in the Paine and Lane Institute, and we cannot but be gratified at the remarkable successful showing presented in the report of Rev. George Williams Walker, its President. Its graduates are taking high rank among their people as preachers and teachers, and exerting an ever-widening influence in the elevation of the race. We would commend this institution to the members of our Church, and bespeak for it their liberal support.

At the last session of our Conference it was decided to divide the collection for education, on the basis of \$1200 for Millsaps College; \$300 for Paine & Lane, and \$272 for the General Board. We have received this year from the educational collection \$987.15: from the Sunday school board \$253.71, total, \$1,240.86, which has been divided as follows: Millsaps College, \$781.91; Paine & Lane, \$229.98; General Board, \$194.62; printing the minutes, \$34.06; total \$1,240.86. We recommend the following assessment for the ensuing year: Millsaps College, \$1500; Paine & Lane, \$300; General Board, \$272; total, \$2,072. In view of the superior facilities offered, we would urge upon all our people the importance of patronizing our institutions of learning, and would ask of all their hearty co-operation in our endeavors to further the interests committed to us by your body and the General Board.

There has been referred to us a memorial from the Brookhaven District Conference requesting the pro rata distribution to the several Conference colleges, of the collection for the cause of education. After careful consideration we respectfully recommend that the request of the memorialists be not granted.

Your Board believe that a more general observance of "Children's Day" will greatly forward the work of Christian education as done by our church, and they respectfully recommend the faithful observance of this day by all of our Sunday schools.

We herewith report the following as the

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS:

Number of Institutions.....	5
Value of Property.....	\$190,000 00
Endowment.....	107,000 00
Teachers	50
Pupils.....	682

We recommend the reappointment of B. F. Lewis as Conference Secretary of Education.

Recommend that J. A. Moore be appointed professor at Millsaps.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. LEWIS, Sec'y.

A. F. WATKINS, Chairman.

Question Thirty-Nine was called. "What are the Educational Statistics?"

EDUCATIONAL STATISTICS.

NAME OF INSTITUTIONS.	VALUE OF PROPERTY	ENDOWMENT....	PROFESSORS.....	PUPILS.....
Millsaps, Jackson, Miss.....	\$ 70 000	\$107 000	9	164
East Mississippi Female College, Meridian, Miss.....	25 000	.....	15	210
Whitworth Female College, Brookhaven, Miss.....	70 000	.....	11	152
Port Gibson Female College, Port Gibson, Miss.....	15 000	.....	10	61
Edward McGehee Female College, Woodville, Miss.....	10 000	.....	5	85
	\$190 000	\$107 000	50	682

The following was adopted :

Remembering that our Statistical Secretaries have much work in collect- and tabulating the reports; and that delays in handing in the reports in- creases and prolongs that work,

Resolved, That each preacher be required to hand his reports to the Secre- taries by the second day of Conference.

W. B. LEWIS,
T. L. MELLEN,
R. D. NORSWORTHY,

The Bishop announced the following :

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

Clerical—R. Selby, H. L. Norton, M. M. Black, W. G. Forsythe, F. M. Keen, G. H. Galloway, R. F. Witt, J. W. Chambers.

Lay—R. H. Noblin, E. A. Enochs, W. A. Gunning, J. A. McLeod, S. J. Johnson, D. S. Harmon, W. M. Thornton, J. T. Suddoth.

The following was adopted as the

Report of the Conference Endowment Fund.

To the Bishop and Members of the Mississippi Annual Conference:

The Trustees of the Conference Endowment Fund of the Mississippi An- nual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, would report:

That as heretofore shown by the report of R. J. Jones, Treasurer, to the Conference, we have on hand

Bonds at 8 per cent. interest.....	\$1,400 00
Bonds at 6 per cent. interest.....	400 00
Barton notes (Van Houton).....	600 00—\$2,400 00

Cash on hand at last Conference.....	\$ 721 48
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Interest received this year.....	246 75
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\$ 968 23

Less amount loaned Joint Board.....	17350—	794 73
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Total December 6, 1896.....	\$3,194 73
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Since the Treasurer submitted his report to us we have received the following amounts from the Joint Board of Finance :

Henderson Fund\$500 00
Loan repaid by Joint Board 173 50—\$673 50

Which added to the former amount stated, makes the total bonds, notes and cash, \$3,868.23, now in our treasury.

We have requested the Joint Board of Finance to increase the appropriation made our superannuated brother D. G. W. Ellis, and have authorized our Treasurer to pay them \$50.00 for that purpose.

We have directed the proper investment of the cash balance now in the hands of the Treasurer.

We ask that the Joint Board of Finance be authorized to nominate our successors at the next session of this Conference; but now report that the following have been chosen officers and trustees at the present session: T. L. Mellen, President; B. F. Jones, Vice-President; C. G. Andrews, Secretary; R. J. Jones, Treasurer; B. S. Rayner, J. P. Drake and John W. Chambers.

T. L. MELLEN, President.

C. G. ANDREWS, Secretary.

T. L. Mellen was appointed to serve on the Committee of Examination for admission on trial, in place of T. S. West, deceased.

Question Fourteen was called. "What local preachers are elected Elders?" Answer. None.

Question Forty was called. "Where shall the next session of Conference be held?" Jackson and Hattiesburg were nominated, and Jackson was chosen.

The following were announced by the Bishop:

VISITING COMMITTEES.

Millsaps College—B. F. Jones, H. W. Featherstun, Thos. S. Ford.

East Mississippi Female College—C. G. Andrews, L. Carley, D. W. Heidleberg.

Whitworth Female College—L. S. Jones, W. B. Lewis, L. L. Lampton.

Edwards McGehee College—T. B. Holloman, M. M. Black, F. A. McLain.

Port Gibson Female College—A. F. Watkins, R. Selby, E. A. Enochs.

The following was adopted:

RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Resolved, 1st. That we hereby tender our grateful thanks to the good people of Port Gibson for their noble and generous hospitality, upon whom we invoke the gracious blessings of our Divine Father.

2d. That we gratefully acknowledge the appreciated courtesies shown to the members of this Conference by the managements, respectively, of the Illinois Central, Queen and Crescent, and Louisville and Nashville railroads.

3d. That we appreciate the courtesies extended us by the local press, as well as by the press of New Orleans and Vicksburg.

4th. That we express our hearty appreciation of the Christian courtesy shown us by the pastors and congregation of the Presbyterian and the A. M. E. Churches, in the use of their houses of worship, and also to the management of the Port Gibson Female College for the use of the college buildings.

C. F. EMERY,
C. A. POWELL.

The minutes of the present session were read and approved.

On motion Conference adjourned to meet in Memorial Session at 7 P. M. Sunday.

PORT GIBSON, MISS., Dec. 7, 1896.

Conference met in Memorial Session at 7 P. M., Bishop Hendrix presiding.

The Committee on Memoirs conducted the services as follows, viz: Hymn 598 was sung, J. M. Weems led in prayer; Irvin Miller read the 90th Psalm; the 627 hymn was sung.

Question Nineteenth was called. "What preachers have died during the year?" N. M. Clark, T. S. West, D. Merchant, T. Price.

The following was read:

MEMOIR OF REV. N. M. CLARK.

Newton McMinn Clark was born in Tuscaloosa Co., Ala., March 1st, 1843. He was converted and joined the M. E. Church, South, when about eleven years old, and was licensed to preach in 1874. In 1876 he came to Mississippi and in 1877 he was employed as supply on the Union Mission. The three following years he taught school at Montrose in Jasper county. In December, 1880, he was received on trial in the Mississippi Conference and was duly received in full connection, and during his itinerant life, which ended at his death, he filled the following charges, to-wit: Marion Circuit, two years; Carthage, two years; Williamsburg, one year; Fannin, two years; Silver Creek Mission, one year; Clark Circuit, one year; Lauderdale, two and one half years; East End, Meridian, six months; Binnsville, two years; Pachuta, two years.

On the 9th of February, 1868, at Starkville, Miss., he was married to Miss Mary Peterson, who with their adopted daughter Maggie, remains to mourn his loss.

Brother Clark was a devoted and conservative Christian and a faithful minister of the Lord Jesus Christ. In the charges he filled, he did faithful work. He was especially zealous and effective along the line of church and parsonage building, and his remarkable success remains as a monument to his faithfulness.

He died peacefully November 4th, 1896, after quite a protracted illness caused, as stated by his physician, from malaria, contracted in 1888.

At the time of his death, he was serving Pachuta Circuit.

Respectfully submitted,

IRVIN MILLER.

Remarks upon the life and character of Bro. Clark were made by L. Carley, T. L. Mellen, F. M. Williams, Irvin Miller, J. W. Chambers. The memoir was then adopted.

W. L. C. Hunnicutt read the following

MEMOIR OF REV. T. S. WEST:

Thomas Sterling West was born in Wayne county Miss., on the 14th of January, 1835, and died in Jackson, Miss., April 2th, 1896, in the sixty-first year of his age. He was of Welsh extraction, on his father's side. His parents had him baptized in infancy, and the wholesome results of that early consecration to God were manifested through all his after life. He made a public dedication of himself to God in 1856.

He studied medicine, and was graduated both in New Orleans, and in Philadelphia, and was a practicing physician near his home, and in the Confederate army for a number of years, where he was highly esteemed as a soldier, a chaplain and a surgeon.

Indeed, his heart was ever set upon working for the souls, rather than for the bodies of men. Having been licensed to preach in 1860, he became a chaplain greatly beloved by his fellow-soldiers, for his self-sacrificing devotion to their welfare in those days that tried men's souls.

He was admitted on trial into the Mississippi Conference at Brandon, in 1872, from which time he maintained an honorable position among the itinerant hosts of Methodism, filling cheerfully and usefully every charge to which he was assigned by the authorities of the Church.

Though not a man of collegiate education, he read much, was well informed on many literary topics, and became a skillful writer, as well as an attractive speaker, and an effective preacher. At the time of his death he was the agent of Millsaps College, and was residing within the Capital Street charge, which he had filled with great usefulness for three preceding years, endearing himself, as few are able to do, to all the people. Few men were ever more beloved.

His death was felt as a calamity, and an affliction by the entire city and community. In his death this Conference has lost a valuable, beloved and honored member, one often called to places of high responsibility which he always filled in a worthy manner.

Dr. West was distinguished for the openness of his heart, the generosity of his spirit, and for the genial and jovial kindness of his disposition.

We mourn his absence as that of a brother beloved, but not as those who have no hope. We know that our loss is his eternal gain.

The Church Conference and congregation of Capital Street, the last charge he served, adopted the following resolutions:

"WHEREAS; Our Heavenly Father has called from our midst, in the strength of his years, and in the height of his usefulness, our beloved brother and recent pastor, Dr. T. S. West; therefore be it

Resolved 1. That while we doubt not that he has entered into perfect peace, we can but deplore our immeasurable loss.

2. Regarding it a high privilege to have known, heard and loved Dr. West as our pastor for three years, we will cherish the recollection of his many virtues and excellent traits of character as a precious legacy and embalm the memory of his Christlike and unselfish life in the warmest affections of our hearts.

3. That we believe it to be an honor to the human race, and a credit to the christian religion that they, together, produced a man who was so sunny-hearted by nature, and so heavenly-minded by grace as was our beloved Dr. T. S. West.

W. L. C. HUNNICUTT,
J. C. ENOCHS,
A. J. HARRIS,

Committee."

Dr. West was married three times; first to Miss Mary Ann Heard, daughter of Joshua T. Heard, of this Conference, then to Miss Mary E. Watts, daughter of Judge John Watts, and lastly to Miss Florence Hopper, daughter of John C. Hopper, of Wayne County, Miss. He left three sons, the children of his last wife, who survive him. His home life was as happy as his public life was honorable. He was as sunny hearted as a child and as joyous as if he had known no sorrow.

If he is greatly missed by his brethren, what must his absence mean to those who loved and trusted him for guidance in all the dear relations of home? Nothing can soothe the sorrow of such bereavements but an abiding faith in the verities of the eternal world.

C. McDonald, C. F. Emery, J. T. Nicholson, R. Bradley, A. F. Watkins, T. B. Holloman, made remarks in memory of Dr. West.

The memoir was then adopted.

F. M. Keen read the following

MEMOIR OF REV. DAVID MERCHANT:

The subject of this sketch was born in Lawrence County, Miss., February 21, 1834, and died at his home near Ellisville, Miss., March 31, '896.

Bro. Merchant was blessed with christian parentage. His father was a local preacher. Our brother was born of the spirit, and joined the Methodist Church when quite young. The exact date is not known by the writer.

He was married to Miss Eliza Reid, December 10th, 1865. Four children—three boys and one girl—were the fruit of his marriage, all of whom, with their mother, survive him.

Bro. Merchant entered the Mississippi Conference on trial some time during the war. After traveling a few years, failing health compelled him to locate. He was re-admitted into the Conference in 1884, but on account of physical infirmities, he was soon superannuated.

Bro. Merchant never professed to be a ten, or even a five talent servant. He felt that he possessed, at least one, and he did all he could to improve it. He was thankful that he was counted worthy to labor even in the by-ways and

hedges of his Master's vineyard. He served scanty fields and hard circuits, where his consecration to the Lord was oftentimes severely tested; but so far as this writer has been able to learn, he never flinched, or asked for a change in his appointments.

The following are some of the charges he served, viz: Ponchatoula, Baton Rouge Circuit, Louisville, Carthage, Coleville, Williamsburg, State Line, Marion, Walker and others. These circuits were very large and the pastor was compelled to be continually on the go in order to do the pastoral work and fill his appointments, which the following, copied from his diary for January, 1874, will show: "Sabbath, 18th, preached at Enon; Monday, 19th, traveled and spent the night at Bro. H.s'; Tuesday, 20th, traveled and spent the night at Bro. Harper's.; Wednesday, 21st, saw Bro. E. J. Taylor, went with him to Bro. L's., spent the night; Thursday, started to Zion Seminary, was caught in a hard rain, stopped and spent the night; Friday, 23d, went with Bro. T. Z. S., and from there to Bro. John Napier's; Saturday, 24th, went to Williamsburg, spent the night with Bro. Holloway; Sabbath, 25th, preached from St. Luke xv:18, rode eight miles and preached again, spent the night at Sister McR's.; Monday, 26th, went to Bro. W's., spent two nights; 28th, went to Ellisville and preached at night; 29th, went sixteen miles and preached, and spent the night with Mr. B." etc.

Bro. Merchant loved the institutions of the church, and contributed freely to their support. At one time at Conference a collection for foreign missions called from him a subscription of \$25, and at the time he served a \$100 mission himself, yet in due time the subscription was paid.

While a Superannuate he cheerfully, out of his meagre allowance, contributed towards "Conference Endowment Fund," "Millsaps College," and the various Conference collections. He loved the brethren and was always willing to sit at their feet and learn. Humble and meek, he passed through life hopefully, trusting in the Lord to supply all his need.

For many years he endured great bodily suffering, and over a year prior to his decease he lost the sight of his right eye from intense pain. He was confined to his bed several weeks before death came to his relief, but he bore his afflictions patiently, yea, even joyously. His favorite expression during his last illness was, "Glory! Glory!" He realized for some time that his active mission was ended, and therefore, death was a welcome messenger to both soul and body. His end was peace; he sleeps near a little school house where he loved so well to preach, near Ellisville, Jones County, Miss. In due time the Master will give him his reward.

Words in commendation of Bro. Merchant, were spoken by R. B. Downer, J. M. Weems and J. W. Chambers, J. N. Tucker.

I. W. Cooper read the following

MEMOIR OF REV. THOS. PRICE :

When Dean Stanley was drawing near his death, he asked Dr. Vaughan to preach his funeral sermon in the Westminster Abbey, saying, "You knew me the longest."

Our departed brother selected a friend to write his memoir, saying, "You knew me well." The old soldier has fallen! He fell on the battle field with his face toward the eternal hills. This christian warrior has been in many conflicts, but when the last battle was fought, the sword was placed in the scabbard for the first time, and our brother laid down on the tented field to awake amid the victories of the other life, in which peace floweth as a river. The home, the church and the world, have lost one who could say as Pericles said, when dying, "I never caused an Athenian to mourn."

Measured by the standard of popular acclaim, measured by the gain of riches, measured by what the world calls success, our brother's life was not a great success; but when measured by the laws of the inner life, by the inscription of character, by the capacity of love, by the heart which is receptive to the movements of the Holy Spirit, by the faith which laid hold of the cross, by the fidelity which never grew weary, our brother's life possessed all the elements of a successful life. His conceptions of life were too broad for

him to be even sordid or contracted. He gave the world all he had—the wealth of his love—the wealth of his tenderness and usefulness, and the wealth of his triumphant faith and character, which were made rich by having their main-spring in Christ who possesses all the riches of Eternity.

Our brother possessed the beautiful trait of humility. Acathocles, who became a King, kept an earthen plate to remind himself that he was once a potter. Our brother never forgot the frailties, vanities and dangers of human life, and that the secret of character was not in human agencies, but in spiritual forces which are supernatural.

His life touched the Christ of Gethsamane, and from the place of sorrow he went forth with the likeness of Christ stamped on his brow. While he was humble he possessed all the elements of the highest moral bravery.

Eudoxia threatened St. Chrysostom with banishment; he calmly replied—tell her I fear nothing but sin. The lips of this faithful servant of God gave the same testimony. There were no stings in his words—they were freighted with faith and love.

Our friend was a most excellent preacher of the Gospel. His sermons as delivered could have been printed without correction. Coming, as they did, from a well trained mind and a consecrated heart, they were always a delight and inspiration to the thoughtful hearer.

The home life of our brother was beautiful and sacred. He was the center of affection and reverence. Carlyle said when the death of his wife occurred: "The light of my life has gone out." Many loved ones felt that the light of their home went out when Bro. Price left them. We record these events: Rev. Thomas Price was born in Washington, Adams County, Miss., October 9, 1819; was early converted; was educated at La Grange College, Ala., during the presidency of Bishop Robert Paine. Entered the ministry at an early age, and was married to Miss Tabitha E. Haney, daughter of Rev. J. P. Haney, Nov. 25th, 1845. By this union there were ten children, four of whom are still living. May 24, 1883, he was married to Miss Laura M. Whittington, daughter of Rev. B. B. Whittington. Departed this life at Lake Charles, La., March 24, 1896.

His bereaved wife writes: "On the evening before his death, while sitting with him alone, though unconscious as to the things around him, while his life was quietly ebbing away, I repeated the 23rd Psalm and the hymn he so much loved, 'Jesus, Lover of my Soul,' I felt sure he heard me from the look on his face."

Farewell, dear friend, you have reached heaven! We will cherish your memory and emulate your virtues, and expect some day to meet you again.

I. W. COOPER.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered by Bishop Hendrix, of which the members of Conference and the visitors partook.

The following questions were asked, viz:

Question Nine. "What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?"

Question Eleven. "What local preachers are ordained deacons?"

Question Thirteen. "What traveling preachers are ordained elders?"

Question Fifteen. "What local preachers are ordained elders?" Answer none.

In answer to the above questions the Bishop submitted the following

Certificate of Ordinations.

I hereby certify that in the Methodist Episcopal Church South, in Port Gibson, Miss., after the morning service, on Dec. 6th 1896, I ordained the following Deacons, namely: Clarence Marion Crossley and Eugene Emmett Langford, traveling Preachers, and John Alexander Moore, Henry Anderson Gatlin and Geo. Preston McKeown, local preachers.

At the same time and place Rev. J. M. Weems reading the Epistle and Rev. E. H. Mounger reading the gospel, and these with Rev. C. G. Andrews assisting in laying on of hands, I ordained the following Elders, namely:

Henry Ware Moore Van Hook, Adolphus Taylor Bell and William Monroe Sullivan, traveling preachers.

E. R. HENDRIX.

PORT GIBSON, Miss., Dec. 6, 1896.

The Minutes of the present session were read and approved.

In answer to Question 41: "Where are the preachers stationed this year?" The Bishop read the following:

APPOINTMENTS.

The figures show the number of years served consecutively in the same appointment.

VICKSBURG DISTRICT—J. M. WEEMS, P. E., 4.

Vicksburg—

Crawford Street.....	A. F. Watkins, 1	South Warren	W. W. Hurst, 2
South Vicksburg.....	Jno. A. Moore, 1	Edwards.....	J. G. Galloway, 1
Rolling Fork	J. V. Penn, 2	Bolton.....	R. Selby, 2
Anguilla	E. E. Langford, 1	Utica.....	J. W. Crisler, 1
Mayersville.....	W. T. Griffin, 2	Rocky Springs.....	J. N. Ware, 1
Warren.....	G. A. Guice, 2	Hermanville	A. D. Miller, 2
Satartia.....	C. C. Evans, 1	Harriston.....	W. M. Stevens, 1
		Port Gibson.....	H. M. Ellis, 3

NATCHEZ DISTRICT—W. L. C. HUNNICUTT, P. E., 1.

Natchez—

Jefferson Street.....	T. B. Holloman, 1	Centerville.....	M. H. Moore, 1
Wesley Chapel	F. B. Ormond, 1	Wilkinson.....	G. M. Hull, 1
Washington	D. F. Guice, 1	Woodville	B. F. Lewis, 3
Fayette.....	B. S. Rayner, 1	Percy Creek.....	E. T. Breland, 1
Barlow.....	E. F. Edgar, 1	Meadville.....	R. S. Gale, 3
Roxie.....	R. A. Breland, 1	Agent Edward McGehee College	
Anite.....	M. J. Miller, 1		J. N. Tucker, 1
Gloster.....	M. M. Black, 1, J. N. Tucker, 1	Conference Education Secretary	
			B. F. Lewis, 1

SEA SHORE DISTRICT—C. A. POWELL, P. E. 3.

Moss Point.....	I. W. Cooper, 1	Bay St. Louis and Long Beach.....	
Americus.....	To be supplied.		J. P. Drake, 1
Escatawpa	G. W. Huff, 2	Pearlington and Log Town.....	
Biloxi	C. F. Emery, 1		W. G. Forsythe, 3
Ocean Springs and Scranton.....		Lumberton.....	W. H. Huntley, 1
	H. D. Howell, 1	Columbia.....	H. B. Trevilion, 1
Vancleave.....	to be supplied		Geo. P. McKeown, 1
	(by L. R. Roberts).	Hattiesburg.....	I. L. Peebles, 1
Gulfport Mission.	T. W. Brown, 1		(by A. P. Cox), 1
Whittington.....	J. R. Ellis, 2	Galloway.....	To be supplied

ENTERPRISE DISTRICT—L. CARLEY, P. E. 3.

Enterprise and Stonewall.....		Leaksville Mission.....	J. M. Cowan, 1
	J. T. Leggett, 2	Vossburg.....	R. B. Downer, 2
Shubuta.....	J. T. Nicholson, 1	Heidelberg.....	C. D. Cecil, 1
Matthtersville.....	W. W. Moore, 3	Ellisville and Laurel.....	F. M. Keen, 3
Energy Mission.....	J. C. Ellis, 1	Estabutchie.....	H. B. Vandenberg, 1
Pachuta	W. J. Ferguson, 1	Williamsburg.....	W. J. Dawson, 2
Waynesboro and State Line.....		Fuller.....	L. P. Meador, 1
	H. E. Partridge, 2	Mt. Carmel.....	J. W. Brown, 1
Wayne Mission.....	To be supplied	Winchester.....	R. L. Phillips, 1
	(D. C. Farmer),		

MERIDIAN DISTRICT—C. G. ANDREWS, P. E., 1.

Meridian—	North Kemper, to be supplied by
Central.....H. W. Featherstun, 1	.....(J. J. Golden) 1
South Side and Poplar Springs,.....	Neshoba and Mission.....
.....H. G. Hawkins, 1	.....D. Scarborough, 1
East End.....G. H. Galloway, 1	One to be supplied (J. C. Long,) 1
West End.....N. B. Harmon, 1	Linwood and Indian Mission.....
Chunky.....R. A. Sibley, Jr., 1	.....J. H. Holland, 1
Rose Hill.....D. C. Langford, 2	and one to be supplied,.....
DeKalb.....G. H. Thompson, 2	.....(Jas. Johnson,) 1
Binnsville.....C. M. Crossley, 1	Daleville.....A. T. Bell, 2
Porterville.....H. Mellard, 1	Toomsuba to be supplied ..
Lauderdale.....H. W. Van Hook, 1	.....(F. L. Crowson) 2
Vinnville.....R. H. Barr, 2	Transferred to Louisville Confer-
	.....ence, L. T. Cole,

BRANDON DISTRICT—W. W. SIMMONS, P. E., 2.

Brandon.....R. F. Witt, 2	Steen's Creek.....R. Bradley, 2
Carthage.....H. P. Lewis, 1	Shiloh.....W. W. Cammack, 1
Walnut Grove.....P. H. Howse, 2	.....and one to be supplied,
Hillsboro.....M. A. Thurman, 1	Westville.....G. W. Ferrer, 1
Decatur.....P. D. Hardin, 1	.....and one to be supplied,
Newton and Hickory.....D. P. Bradford, 1	Raleigh.....L. J. Jones, 2
Lake.....I. B. Robertson, 1	Trenton.....J. H. Foreman, 2
Morton.....W. L. Linfield, 1	Forest.....W. M. Sullivan, 1
Clarksburg, to be supplied,.....	Montrose.....M. L. White, 1
.....(C. C. Griffin,) 1	.....and one to be supplied.

JACKSON DISTRICT—R. D. NORSWORTHY, P. E. 2.

Jackson—	Lake City and Lodi.....R. E. Rutledge, 1
First Church.....H. M. DuBose, 1	Yazoo City.....L. S. Jones, 1
Capitol Street.....R. J. Jones, 1	Yazoo Circuit.....J. D. Ellis, 2
Fannin.....T. H. King, 2	Flora.....J. G. Cammack, 2
Terry.....T. J. Norsworthy, 1	.....J. S. Parker, 1
Madison.....J. D. Crymes, 1	Prof. Millsaps College.....J. A. Moore, 3
Canton.....T. L. Mellen, 1	Student Millsaps College.....
Sharon.....F. M. Williams, 1	.....A. H. Shannon, 2
Camden.....J. E. Riddle, 1	Editor New Orleans Advocate.....
Colporter.....R. W. Bailey, 2	.....W. C. Black, 3
Benton.....H. L. Norton, 2	Conference Missionary Secretary.....
Tranquil.....W. A. Terry, 1	.....T. L. Mellen, 2
Silver Creek and Bee Lake.....	
.....T. B. Cottrell, 2	

BROOKHANEN DISTRICT—E. H. MOUNGER, P. E. 2.

Brookhaven.....B. F. Jones, 3	Providence.....J. W. Tinnin, 2
Caseyville.....C. McDonald, 1	Hazlehurst.....T. W. Addms, 1
Adams.....B. H. Rawls, 2	Martinsville.....To be supplied.....
Magnolia and Osyka.....J. A. B. Jones, 1	.....by (H. S. Gatlin),
.....J. W. Sandell, Sup., 4	Gallman.....W. M. Williams, 1
China Grove.....W. W. Morse, 3	Crystal Springs.....W. B. Lewis, 1
Whitestown.....J. T. Abney, 3	Pres. Whitworth Female College.....
McComb City.....J. M. Morse, 3	.....J. W. Chambers, 3
Summitt and Topisaw.....V. V. Boone, 1	Agent Whitworth Female College,....
Bogue Chitto.....W. G. Backus, 1	.....J. W. Crisler, 1
Pleasant Groove.....B. W. Lewis, 2	District Supt. American Bible.....
Wesson.....M. L. Burton, 1	Society.....J. W. McLaurin, 1
N. Wesson.....H. C. Brown, 1	

Conference adjourned with the long metre doxology and benediction by
BISHOP HENDRIX.

CONDENSED MINUTES.

1. Who are admitted on trial? George Preston McKeown, John A. Moore, Mancil Albert Thurman, Walter Anderson Terry.
2. Who remain on trial? Robert Lee Phillips, Thomas B. Cottrell, Robert A. Sibley, Jr., George M. Hull, John H. Foreman.
3. Who are discontinued? None.
4. Who are admitted into full connection? Clarence M. Crossley, Daniel Scarborough, Eugene E. Langford, Fletcher B. Ormond, John C. Ellis, George W. Huff.
5. Who are re-admitted? None.
6. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? James E. Riddle from the Louisiana Conference; H. M. DuBose, from the East Texas Conference.
7. Who are the Deacons of one year? Charles F. Emery, Paul D. Hardin, Marvin McKendree Black, Elbert T. Breland, A. Harvey Shannon. Continued in class of third year: Henry C. Brown, Hiram B. Trevilian, Thomas H. King, Thomas J. Norsworthy, John D. Ellis, Robert E. Rutledge, Matthew J. Miller, Waldo W. Moore, W. M. Williams.
8. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons? Clarence M. Crossley, Fletcher B. Ormond, Eugene E. Langford.
9. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons? Clarence Marion Crossley, Eugene Emmett Langford.
10. What local preachers are elected Deacons? John Alexander Moore, Henry Anderson Gatlin.
11. What local preachers are ordained Deacons? John Alexander Moore, Henry Anderson Gatlin, George Preston McKeown.
12. What traveling preachers are elected Elders? Henry W. Van Hook, Adolphus T. Bell, William Monroe Sullivan, James T. Leggett. Continued in class of the fourth year: Robert H. Barr, Henry G. Hawkins, James G. Cammack, Harrison B. Vandenberg.
13. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders? Henry Ware Van Hook, Adolphus Taylor Bell, William Monroe Sullivan.
14. What local preachers are elected Elders? None.
15. What local preachers are ordained Elders? None.
16. Who are located this year? W. P. Jones, at his own request.
17. Who are supernumerary? J. W. Sandell.
18. Who are superannuated? A. B. Nicholson, H. J. Harris, E. A. Flowers, George Bancroft, J. W. Harmon, J. A. Vance, H. R. Caldwell, J. H. Ewing, R. A. Sibley, N. B. Young, W. B. Hines, J. M. Pugh, P. Howard, R. S. Woodward, D. G. W. Ellis.
19. What preachers have died during the past year? D. Merchant, Thos. Price, T. S. West, N. M. Clark. [See Memoirs.]
20. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Their names were called over one by one, and their characters were examined and passed.
21. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 134; white members, 37,686.
22. How many infants have been baptized during the year? 919.
23. How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,007.
24. What is the number of Epworth Leagues? 45.

25. What is the number of Epworth League members ? 1,532.
26. What is the number of Sunday Schools ? 336.
27. What is the number of Sunday School teachers ? 1,956.
28. What is the number of Sunday School scholars ? 15,960.
29. What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers ? \$6,000.
30. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied ?
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| From pastoral charges | \$4,433 93 |
| From Publishing House..... | 759 00 |
| From Colvin Fund | 24 00 |
| [For application see report of Joint Board.] | |
| | \$5,216 93 |
31. What has been contributed for Missions ? Foreign, \$6,528.93 ; Domestic, \$2,517.00.
32. What has been contributed for Church Extension ? \$1,651.70.
33. What has been done for the American Bible Society ? Collected, \$798.63.
34. What has been contributed for the support of Presiding Elders and Preachers in charge ? Presiding Elders, \$8,804.75 ; Preachers in charge, \$58,505.02.
35. What has been contributed for the support of Bishops ? \$1,424.60.
36. What is the number of Societies, and the number and estimated value of church edifices ? Number Societies, 456 : number church edifices, 405 ; value, \$418,480.00.
37. What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number and value of parsonages owned by them ? Number of charges, 121 ; number of parsonages, 100 ; value, \$88,102.00.
38. What is the number and value of district parsonages ? Number district parsonages, 4 ; value, \$5,753.00.
39. What are the educational statistics ? [See another Page.]
40. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held ? Jackson, Miss.
41. Where are the preachers stationed this year ? [See list on another page.]

COMMITTEES.

BOARD OF EDUCATION—A. F. Watkins, R. W. Millsaps, C. G. Andrews, H. C. Mounger, B. F. Lewis, H. B. McGehee, M. L. Burton, J. S. Sexton, J. T. Nicholson, G. B. Harper, I. W. Cooper, W. H. Ormond, I. L. Peebles, C. P. Weatherby, T. W. Adams, G. W. Ellis.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION—M. H. Moore, W. L. Nugent, G. A. Guice, T. A. Holloman, W. W. Simmons, J. M. Sessions, I. B. Robertson, H. B. Godbold, R. Bradley, A. G. Mayers, T. B. Holloman, John Watts, D. P. Bradford, S. J. Johnson, N. B. Harmon, J. S. Turner.

BOARD OF MISSIONS—Peter James, J. P. Drake, W. H. Scudder, W. B. Lewis, P. A. Richardson, B. F. Jones, G. W. Burton, B. H. Rawls, Irvin Miller, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, L. P. Brown, J. V. Penn, W. S. Davis, W. G. Forsythe, J. A. McLeod.

BOARD OF COLPORTAGE—H. W. Featherstun, T. L. Mellen, H. M. Ellis, J. N. Tucker, G. H. Thompson, R. Selby, R. F. Witt, M. L. White.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD—C. A. Powell, R. L. Bennett, W. M. Stevens, I. O. Loyd, J. W. Brown, John A. Guice, H. P. Lewis, C. A. Redding, W. W. Cammack, A. J. Brown, H. G. Hawkins, J. B. Chatfield, F. M. Keen, S. H. Terrell, J. G. Sibley, E. W. Lampton.

EPWORTH LEAGUE—J. W. Crisler, J. G. Cammack, W. L. Linfield, R. W. Bailey, W. J. Roberts, H. W. Van Hook, H. B. Trevillion, R. B. Downer.

COMMITTEES OF EXAMINATION—

ADMISSION ON TRIAL—W. B. Lewis, T. L. Mellen, T. B. Holloman.

FIRST YEAR—R. J. Jones, J. W. Chambers, A. F. Watkins.

SECOND YEAR—I. W. Cooper, B. F. Lewis, R. W. Bailey.

THIRD YEAR—E. H. Mounger, W. L. C. Hunnicutt, J. M. Weems.

FOURTH YEAR—H. W. Featherstun, L. Carley, H. M. Ellis.

ERRATA.

Page 32—paragraph 18, "J. H. Ewing" should read J. H. Evans.

❧ Statistical & Tables. ❧

MEMBERSHIPS, BAPTISMS, CHURCH PROPERTY, EPWORTH LEAGUES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Local-Preachers	No. of White Members	Colored Members	Total Members last year	Additions on Prof. of Faith	Additions by Certif, etc...	Removals by Death, Cert etc	Infants Baptized.....	Adults Baptized.....	Societies in Charge	No. Churches..	Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Value of Parsonages...	Value of Dis-trict Parson-age, if any...	Value of Other Church Prop-erty.....	Money Exp'd for Churches and Parson-ages.....	Epworth Leagues	No. of Epworth League Members	No. Officers and Teachers.	No. Schools.....	No. Scholars..	Am't Collected for Sunday Schools	Am't Collected for Missions.	Am't Collected for Other Ob-jects.....	Am't Collected on Children's Day.....	Total Amount Raised.....
Meridian, Central.....	1	492	..	487	8	18	20	8	2	1	1	15000 00	1	\$ 2000 00	\$	\$20000 00	\$	1	107	1	40	480	\$ 75 00	\$	\$ 8 27	\$	\$ 103 05
Meridian, South Side.....	..	151	..	123	5	27	4	2	3	2	2	1500 00	40 00	155 00	1	16	115	29	82	29 82
Meridian, East End.....	1	231	..	221	13	31	33	6	5	1	1	3000 00	154 00	2	75	111	159	37	94	1 36	3 36	3 00	45 66
Meridian, West End.....	2	228	..	274	4	33	31	13	..	1	1	2500 00	..	..	..	..	262 80	2	56	17	140	53	88	22 33	3 05	79 26
Chunkey.....	2	303	..	315	12	5	27	1	12	5	5	1000 00	1	200 00	..	..	250 00	..	..	5	20	220	10 00	..	5 00	15 00
Rosé Hill.....	..	449	..	461	24	5	4	20	8	5	5	2700 00	1	300 00	..	..	26 00	2	55	4	25	200	25 00	..	3 25	28 25
DeKalb.....	1	337	..	325	16	4	7	6	4	4	4	2000 00	1	1000 00	..	..	600 00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Binnsville.....	..	205	..	272	..	6	13	5	..	4	4	1250 00	1	400 00	..	..	600 00	..	..	3	23	105	70 00	15 00	4 90	89 90
Porterville Mission...	1	283	1	190	25	75	5	..	25	5	5	1500 00	..	..	..	80 00	16 80	..	..	4	15	60	8 60	9 25	17 85	
Lauderdale.....	..	174	..	143	12	20	10	4	4	3	3	2000 00	1	600 00	..	200 00	140 00	1	18	3	18	142	40 00	..	7 00	47 09	
Vinnville.....	2	321	..	320	3	10	10	8	5	5	5	1000 00	1	500 00	..	20 00	60 00	..	..	1	3	26	4 00	..	..	4 00
North Kemper.....	1	223	..	311	2	19	8	9	2	5	5	200 00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	20	100	2 00	..	1 50	4 40
Neshoba and Mission.	1	530	..	516	23	9	11	20	9	7	7	2250 00	1	400 00	..	..	288 20	..	..	5	16	225	17 80	..	..	17 80
Linwood and Mission,	1	257	49	295	19	6	13	5	8	4	3	1450 00	..	..	..	480 00	63 75	..	..	3	15	125	4 40	..	..	4 40
Daleville.....	..	277	..	260	10	11	4	6	4	4	4	2300 00	1	800 00	..	..	57 00	1	48	3	9	94	8 30	10 00	47 35	63 90
Total.....	13	4627	50	4513	176	279	278	111	91	60	52	39650 00	9	6200 00	..	20820 00	3033 55	10	394	41	248	2215	387 59	53 19	56 79	58 62	550 39
Total last year.....	10	4649	1	4794	178	164	490	119	96	54	52	43250 00	9	6675 00	..	21000 00	2205 75	5	163	48	268	2432	380 37	87 98	87 23	115 70	762 25
Increase.....	3	..	49	115	6	827 80	5	231	7 22
Decrease.....	..	22	..	281	2	..	212	8	5	..	..	3600 00	..	475 00	..	180 00	..	..	7	20	217	..	24 79	30 44	57 08	211 86

BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

Wesson	..	459	..	514	2	51	108	2	2	1	2	3500 00	1	1800 00	..	..	68 35	..	..	1	21	255	108 58	40 94	4 55	6 59	160 57
Brookhaven	1	270	..	253	17	20	19	5	5	1	1	2000 00	2	1500 00	1500 00	75000 00	81 60	..	..	1	19	160	55 00	11 40	3 00	..	99 40
McComb City	3	430	..	418	12	41	38	8	12	1	1	3000 00	1	2000 00	..	..	188 10	1	22	1	18	254	103 17	..	4 45	..	107 62
Crystal Springs	1	329	..	301	29	10	10	12	16	1	1	4000 00	1	2000 00	..	..	..	..	..	1	11	90	31 30	19 51	4 60	..	54 81
White's Town	3	284	..	269	21	13	16	16	7	4	2	1300 00	..	..	..	..	85 00	..	..	4	21	178	24 25	6 00	6 00	..	38 25
Martinsville	2	236	..	220	14	3	8	2	8	4	4	2400 00	..	..	..	..	125 00	..	..	3	24	125	5 00	..	4 60	..	9 60
Summit	5	501	..	428	62	24	8	2	35	6	6	5150 00	1	430 00	..	1000 00	425 00	1	35	5	33	187	38 00	..	..	..	38 00
Hazelhurst	..	227	..	241	2	4	20	..	..	1	1	5000 00	1	2000 00	..	..	300 00	1	30	1	10	100	40 00	5 00	2 00	40 00	87 00
Adams	5	586	1	544	21	33	8	18	29	3	3	2090 00	1	1675 00	..	500 00	220 00	..	..	4	21	236	19 30	7 90	10 50	..	37 90
Puovidence	1	276	..	229	41	13	6	2	25	4	3	1700 00	1	400 00	..	400 00	63 00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Magnolia	..	224	..	173	30	41	20	18	23	2	2	1500 00	1	800 00	..	..	35 50	..	..	2	13	116	76 50	10 50	4 25	..	91 25
Gallman	1	372	..	349	21	15	12	5	6	4	4	3300 00	1	500 00	..	..	150 00	..	..	5	30	200	35 00	..	8 00	..	43 00
Forth Wesson	..	193	..	165	..	38	10	2	..	..	3	3200 00	..	..	..	..	24 60	..	..	3	18	130	..	3 65	25 00	..	28 65
Caseyville	2	476	..	442	45	..	12	10	11	5	5	3000 00	1	1200 00	..	200 00	50 00	..	..	5	27	203	26 00	..	..	..	26 00

China Grove.....	1	456	445	17	3	8	10	4	4	4500 00	1	600 00	156 50	4	24	150	15 00	15 00	15 00
Pleasant Grover.....	1	574	500	81	3	9	19	53	7	5	1500 00	1	500 00	14 50	5	20	225	13 15	13 15
Total	26	5893	550	415	315	312	121	242	48	46	47050 00	14	15405 00	1500 00	77950 00	2203 15	3	77	45
Total last year.....	25	5492	5506	300	401	779	112	94	40	46	44850 00	12	13505 00	1500 00	78600 00	2281 89	5	129	45
Increase	1	404	.....	109	.....	.....	9	148	8	.....	2200 00	2	1900 00	1500 00	.....	.....	17	337	.....
Decrease .....	.....	.....	6	.....	146	467	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	650 00	278 74	2	52	.....	337	20 99

ENTERPRISE DISTRICT.

Enterprise & Stonew'll	1	294	304	11	20	.....	.....	3	3	5500 00	2	.....	126 00	3	25	265	75 00	.....	75 00
Shubuta .....	.....	255	418	11	25	199	6	3	2	4000 00	1	1000 00	350 00	2	20	150	65 00	53 00	122 10
Mathersville.....	3	420	398	30	7	19	12	4	7	1900 06	1	500 00	5 00	1	16	5	.....	4 10	24 20
Energy Mission	1	320	320	5	10	14	15	.....	5	5	1175 00	1	600 00	1150 00	2	33	229	18 30	3 70
Pachuta.....	.....	398	200	18	.....	.....	1	3	6	3500 00	1	590 00	400 00	5	9	100	3 70	.....	3 70
Waynesboro Station..	1	206	198	25	15	31	4	2	1	4000 00	1	1500 00	.....	1	30	1	24	145	17 85
State Line.....	.....	167	141	19	7	12	1	8	4	3	1500 00	1	400 00	12 75	3	14	175	31 75	8 00
Leaksville Mission...	1	159	148	10	6	4	6	.....	5	4	1400 00	1	672 15	60 00	3	12	98	10 90	30 56
Vossburg.....	1	187	181	11	10	14	1	7	4	4	3000 00	1	1000 00	50 00	4	15	125	20 20	10 90
Heidleburg.....	.....	279	293	1	18	26	5	1	5	4	1500 00	1	250 00	200 00	1	28	3	19	121
Ellisville and Laurel..	3	374	377	2	27	29	12	.....	2	2	7000 00	.....	750 00	3639 10	1	90	3	24	230
Eastabuchie	1	154	171	2	7	25	2	.....	4	2	800 00	1	600 00	150 00	2	.....	70	24 00	9 45
Williamsburg.....	.....	352	282	18	70	18	7	12	4	4	230 60	1	275 00	50 00	4	23	111	9 70	2 00
Fuller .....	.....	300	300	6	.....	6	.....	6	6	6	1800 00	.....	.....	.....	1	6	52	2 55	3 00
Mt. Carmel.....	1	334	474	1	1	141	1	1	4	4	3500 00	1	500 00	75 00	1	15	3	15	75
Winchester.....	.....	194	226	48	4	84	2	14	6	5	1675 00	.....	.....	.....	5	21	127	15 00	2 50
Total	13	4393	4431	207	218	635	75	55	68	61	44550 00	14	7797 15	1310 00	5	179	44	221	2073
Total last year.....	13	4159	3801	253	315	278	103	97	51	55	35225 00	13	8222 0	2810 00	4	75	48	280	2330
Increase .....	.....	234	570	.....	357	.....	28	42	17	6	9325 00	1	425 85	1500 00	1	104	.....	.....	18 75
Decrease .....	.....	.....	51	47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	59	263	.....	90 30

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Natchez (Jefferson St.)	.....	370	360	9	31	36	16	.....	1	1	25000 00	1	2500 00	419 10	1	52	1	25	150
Natchez (Wesley Ch'l)	.....	206	228	11	12	45	9	4	4	4	1200 00	.....	.....	250 00	1	30	1	15	76
Fayette.....	.....	270	258	9	12	9	14	3	3	3	4500 00	1	300 00	.....	3	15	89	28 60	100 00
Woodville.....	.....	173	580	.....	9	16	6	4	1	1	5000 00	1	2500 00	10000 00	1	35	1	15	91
Centerville.....	1	265	246	9	14	3	18	4	2	2	3200 00	1	100 00	500 00	2	11	05	27 00	12 00
Gloster	2	221	203	20	26	26	14	13	3	2	2800 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	17	90	44 36
Meadville	2	387	346	31	24	12	12	13	6	5	2650 00	1	1000 00	169 00	7	35	165	20 00	22 65
Barlow	1	388	380	23	3	18	8	15	4	4	3800 00	1	1100 00	100 00	2	13	100	16 00	6 80
Amite and M.....	1	520	235	36	263	13	1	21	10	9	2200 00	1	250 00	.....	.....	3	12	70	19 50
Percy Creek.....	.....	106	110	.....	4	2	.....	2	2	2	1200 00	1	1200 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roxie .....	.....	219	188	10	83	62	9	9	4	3	1600 00	.....	.....	103 50	83 40	3	9	71	6 35
Washington .....	.....	89	79	12	2	4	7	1	4	3	9300 00	1	500 00	20 00	.....	2	5	40	15 15
Wilkerson	2	387	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	3	3	1500 00	1	400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total	9	3601	3206	170	479	248	118	88	45	39	63950 00	10	9950 00	11023 50	1199 65	3	117	28	172
Total last year.....	16	3806	3799	217	220	430	119	9	42	42	67210 00	11	10450 00	11070 00	1494 60	3	83	34	193
Increase .....	.....	.....	.....	259	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	34	.....	.....	352 06
Decrease	7	205	593	47	182	1	1	.....	3	.....	3260 00	1	.....	46 50	294 05	5	21	356	14 77

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Local Preachers	No. of White Members	Colored Members	Total Members last year	Additions on Prof of Faith	Additions by Certif, etc.	Removals by Death, Cert etc	Infants Baptized	Adults Baptized	Societies in Charge	No. Churches	Value of Churches	No. Parsonages	Value of Parsonages	Value of District Parsonage, if any	Value of Other Church Property	Money expended for Churches and Parsonages	No. of Epworth League Members	No. of Epworth League Leagues	No. Officers and Teachers	No. Schools	No. Scholars	Am't Collected for Sunday Schools	Am't Collected for Missions	Am't Collected on Children's Day	Am't Collected for Other Objects	Am't Collected Raised	Total Amount
Vicksburg (Crawf'd)	..	451	..	425	9	37	20	11	4	1	2	\$ 15300 00	1	\$ 2500 00	\$	\$ 1500 00	\$ 100 75	1	53	1	28	323	\$ 115 12	\$ 71 49	\$ 6 90	\$ 64 57	\$ 258 08	\$ 258 08
South Vicksburg	..	123	..	133	..	3	13	..	..	1	1	2000 00	..	..	..	150 00	23 00	..	1	8	1	62	25 15	9 10	5 30	36 20	76 75	76 75
Rolling Fork	..	171	..	134	24	21	4	4	7	3	3	4400 00	1	1800 00	..	100 00	2437 85	..	2	16	120	50 00	..	..	..	..	58 15	58 15
Anguilla	..	164	..	161	13	..	10	3	3	3	2	1500 00	1	700 00	..	..	..	..	3	13	43	16 00	10 50	7 25	..	..	33 75	33 75
May, rsville	1	95	..	68	16	15	3	4	2	2	2	2000 00	1	800 00	..	..	200 00	..	2	10	40	25 00	..	5 00	..	..	30 90	30 90
Warren	1	485	..	482	19	2	17	16	3	4	3	3150 00	1	500 00	..	45 00	1220 00	1	67	3	23	140	16 00	..	24 00	..	40 00	40 00
Mt. Olivet	1	220	..	217	7	8	11	7	4	2	2	1200 00	1	600 00	..	200 00	40 00	..	3	16	171	13 25	..	..	..	..	13 25	13 25
South Warren	..	160	..	157	5	..	2	2	2	5	5	3500 00	1	600 00	..	25 00	60 00	..	3	9	46	15 00	..	13 00	..	..	28 00	28 00
Edwards	..	240	..	242	3	5	10	2	2	2	2	3000 00	1	2000 00	..	200 00	20 00	..	2	10	125	35 00	1 00	9 85	10 70	..	56 56	56 56
Bolton	..	232	..	276	3	22	69	3	3	4	3	5100 00	1	1000 00	..	..	105 20	1	16	4	21	165	47 85	8 05	3 55	..	60 05	60 05
Utica	..	297	..	281	12	22	18	11	7	4	3	4500 00	1	800 00	..	..	239 50	..	2	13	97	52 00	..	..	..	..	52 50	52 50
Rocky Springs	2	473	..	453	31	11	20	29	9	6	0	6000 00	1	800 00	..	160 00	216 75	..	5	25	200	25 40	4 30	20 00	..	..	49 70	49 70
Hermanville	1	373	..	375	16	23	40	16	3	5	5	4100 00	1	1500 00	..	..	758 65	1	20	4	22	140	13 00	..	2 45	..	15 45	15 45
Harriston	..	305	1	334	34	18	20	18	13	6	5	5500 00	1	500 00	..	..	252 30	..	5	18	165	77 11	2 45	..	..	..	79 55	79 55
Port Gibson	..	179	..	169	4	9	3	2	1	1	1	10000 00	1	3000 00	..	15000 00	800 00	1	25	1	14	110	55 00	32 60	7 00	9 25	103 85	103 85
Total	6	4028	1	3907	196	196	264	128	64	49	45	71250 00	14	17100 00	..	17370 00	6404 00	5	181	42	245	1937	580 88	140 1	113 51	120 72	953 10	953 10
Total last year	10	4122	1	3959	201	195	232	122	79	30	45	66350 00	14	16500 00	..	22190 00	2035 45	4	90	44	240	1679	479 66	161 05	114 06	182 26	937 83	937 83
Increase	..	..	..	..	..	1	32	6	..	19	..	4900 00	..	600 00	..	..	4458 55	1	91	..	..	258	101 22	..	..	..	13 27	13 27
Decrease	4	94	..	52	5	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	4820 00	..	..	2	1	..	..	40 86	55	61 54	..	..	..

SEA SHORE DISTRICT.

Moss Point.....	1	223	..	220	7	10	13	4	4	1	1	5000 00	1	1500 00	.....	.....	.....	1	22	173	119 70	.....	3 40	.....	123 10	123 10
Americus	1	498	..	301	23	182	7	16	10	8	8	2000 00	1	250 00	.....	200 00	80 00	8	32	200	10 00	.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00
Escatawpa.....	..	250	..	220	27	3	.....	10	.....	3	3	3500 00	1	400 00	.....	1000 00	525 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ocean Sprgs & Biloxi	4	179	..	183	1	6	7	1	.....	2	2	3000 00	1	800 00	.....	150 00	25 00	1	15	2	90	10 65	5 25	.....	12 00	17 90
Vancleve.....	6	559	..	560	5	.....	.....	10	5	7	7	2000 00	1	400 00	.....	500 00	450 00	.....	5	25	200	20 00	.....	.....	20 00	20 00
Black Creek Misslon.	1	184	..	161	24	1	1	3	3	5	5	400 00	..	.....	.....	.....	260 00	.....	3	9	40	5 00	.....	.....	5 00	5 00
Marion Ct.....	1	221	..	220	5	.....	3	2	2	4	4	1600 00	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	4	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Whittington.....	1	664	..	645	23	2	5	20	1	8	4	2300 00	1	400 00	.....	50 00	170 00	.....	7	21	245	32 86	.....	12 75	.....	45 61
Bay St. Louis.....	1	203	..	202	12	10	20	12	2	2	3	4200 00	1	1200 00	.....	850 00	523 30	1	12	3	24	180	43 56	.....	6 42	49 98
Pearlington.....	..	220	..	212	11	2	5	22	2	2	2	5000 00	1	900 00	.....	205 00	716 00	.....	3	20	228	119 85	20 00	8 00	.....	147 85
Nicholson Mission...	1	100	..	107	1	.....	7	8	.....	4	3	1000 00	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	18	160	12 50	3 50	.....	12 58	23 58	
Purvis.....	..	330	..	308	7	20	5	15	4	3	3	4500 00	1	800 00	.....	280 00	1169 00	1	60	3	23	315	70 00	.....	11 00	91 00
Columbia	2	192	..	404	15	6	231	12	2	1	1	2500 00	1	750 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	7	120	22 00	38 40	3 25	5 00	68 65
Hattiesburg.....	1	245	..	242	10	32	40	11	7	1	1	2000 00	2	1500 00	1500 00	.....	252 00	1	40	1	116	61 25	22 49	8 34	.....	92 08
Augusta.....	..	123	..	142	.....	1	20	6	.....	4	4	1200 00	1	100 00	.....	.....	10 90	.....	4	16	83	16 50	.....	2 75	.....	19 25
Total	20	4191	..	4127	171	277	364	152	42	55	51	46200 00	13	9000 00	1500 00	3230 00	4121 20	4	127	44	246	2132	543 87	91 64	55 91	39 50	720 92
Total last year.....	19	3993	..	3700	216	223	146	187	52	48	44	31670 00	13	9800 00	3950 00	3694 97	2	66	43	238	2121	528 65	135 05	54 49	37 60	728 79
Increase	1	198	..	427	54	218	7	7	8530 00	426 23	2	61	1	8	11	13 22	1 42	1 90
Decrease.....	45	35	10	800 00	720 00	43 41	7 87	7 87

BRANDON DISTRICT.

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Brandon Station	2	172	175	7	4	12	5	3	1	1	6000 00	1	700 00	130 00	2	13	104	32 56	4 60	132 60	169 76			
Carthage		469	440	17	38	26		27	6	4	2000 00	1	400 00	233 60	1	26	4	25	5 25	7 50	57 75			
Walnut Grove	5	370	341	29	8	4	4	13	6	4	1850 00	1	700 00	760 50		1	5	40	6 00	4 00	10 00			
Hillboro	1	407	392	21	11	15	1	11	6	4	1500 00	1	150 00			2	6	70		5 40	5 40			
Decatur		374	386	3	6	21		3	5	5	2700 00	1	450 00	50 00		1	4	40	4 00	1 83	5 83			
Newton and H.	2	413	339	43	44	11	5	16	2	2	4000 00	1	1500 00	350 00		38	2	27	250	68 00	120 68			
Lake	4	370	437	5	19	81	11	2	4	4	4000 00	1	500 00	30 00	4	60	5	27	154	20 00	28 50			
Morton and F.	1	286	274	8	29	24	7	6	4	3	3000 00	3	1250 00	750 00		20	3	25	175		8 75			
Clarksburg	4	341	341	7	16	49	3	6	6	4	1200 00	1	250 00			4	12	100						
Steen's Creek	3	621	595	26	18	16	2	8	8	7	3500 00	1	1200 00	150 00		7	20	230	30 00	6 80	36 80			
Shiloh	4	429	412	23	4	6	1	12	4	4	3200 00	1	500 00	246 95		2	8	70	13 00		13 00			
Westville and M.	1	580	392	70	140	21	6	37	8	6	2000 00	1	300 00	50 00		3	15	120	8 80		8 80			
Raleigh	1	448	366	72	13	22	26	56	4	4	1200 00	1	300 00	545 00		3	15	110	16 00	62 80	78 80			
Trenton	3	524	497	27	23	20	15	10	6	6	2050 00	1	500 00	30 00		6	25	180	19 70	12 25	31 95			
Homewood		345	350	1	2	14	4	1	4	4	1000 00			23 00		3	12	80	4 00		4 00			
Montrose	1	531	497	40	15	26	7	25	10	6	3200 00	1	900 00	1500 00	1	35	3	15	220	5 00	21 00			
Total	32	6656	6271	405	390	368	97	236	84	68	42400 00	17	9600 00	750 00	8	179	51	254	2155	283 06	4 00	56 91	258 05	601 02
Total last year	36	5927	5653	348	165	244	107	193	53	66	41900 00	15	8550 00	750 00	3	87	45	223	2014	229 34	12 06	38 84	22 30	302 54
Increase		739	613	57	225	124		43	26	2	500 00	2	1050 00											
Decrease	4						10							36 00						8 06				

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Jackson (1st Church).	7	582	534	9	91	45	25	3	1	1	22500 00	1	3000 00	2000 00	5000 00	567 40	1	61	3	29	345	52 90	102 63	20 00	174 63
Jackson (Capital St).	...	275	266	3	37	31	2	...	1	1	3000 00	2000 00	60 00	1	65	1	21	139	50 00	6 50	56 50
Fannin	...	219	209	14	2	6	3	11	5	3	2050 00	1	450 00	...	50 00	...	...	4	18	105	14 05	.....	...	...	14 05
Terry.	2	307	290	20	41	42	15	19	4	4	3630 00	1	1000 00	...	...	390 00	...	5	25	116	33 88	.....	...	...	33 88
Madison	...	230	208	25	17	20	15	13	5	5	3400 00	1	800 00	...	...	60 00	...	4	24	132	30 00	.....	15 00	.....	45 00
Canton	...	220	218	5	18	21	9	3	1	1	3000 00	1	1500 00	...	...	40 25	1	28	1	10	65	26 14	2 10	24 85	52 10
Sharon	2	183	183	5	...	3	3	4	4	4	3000 00	1	500 00	...	...	86 00	...	3	12	100	12 00	...	2 60	4 50	19 10
Camden	3	335	286	50	13	11	3	11	4	4	2750 00	1	600 00	...	...	25 00	2	65	3	16	130	20 00	10 00	...	30 00
Benton	...	378	352	33	6	13	...	18	3	3	3500 00	1	500 00	...	...	75 00	...	3	20	125	16 00	8 00	...	38 00	62 00
Tranquil.	...	335	283	57	9	14	5	38	4	3	3500 00	1	100 00	...	...	811 80	...	3	18	75	10 95	...	5 80	...	16 75
Silver Creek & B. L.	...	86	62	10	16	2	3	1	4	3	1800 00	1	250 00	...	...	150 00	...	3	13	73	17 00	...	16 85	...	33 85
Lake City and Lodi.	1	85	71	14	1	1	8	4	3	2	800 00	1	350 00	...	...	...	...	2	9	64	16 35	...	...	...	16 35
Yazoo City	...	353	342	32	16	37	9	5	1	1	11500 00	1	2000 00	...	...	262 05	2	80	1	19	175	50 00	10 00	8 00	68 00
Yazoo Circuit.	...	291	258	67	5	39	9	39	4	4	3000 00	...	...	...	...	28 65	...	2	8	45	5 30	...	...	...	5 30
Flora	...	223	160	37	49	23	8	20	3	3	2000 00	1	1000 00	...	...	30 00	...	3	18	114	27 95	...	5 50	...	33 45
Total	15	4102	3722	381	321	308	117	189	47	43	69430 00	13	12050 00	2000 00	7050 00	2586 15	7	299	41	260	1803	381 63	120 63	92 35	67 35	660 96
Total last year.	15	3827	3606	219	215	213	107	109	45	44	68330 00	13	14400 00	2000 00	700 00	2193 27	...	239	43	253	1098	325 69	226 11	65 76	1 37 85	755 37
Increase	...	275	116	162	106	95	19	80	2	...	1100 00	6350 90	392 86	1	60	...	7	...	55 94	...	26 59
Decrease.	1	2350 00	2	...	195	...	105 48	...	70 50	...	94 41

RECAPITULATION.

Memberships, Baptisms, Church Property, Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

NAME OF DISTRICT.	Local Preachers.	No. of White Members	Colored Members	Total Members Last Year	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate, etc.	Removals by Death, Cert, etc.	Infants Baptized.	Adults Baptized.	Societies in Charge	No. of Churches.	Value of Churches	No. of Parsonages..	Value of Parsonages	Value of District Parsonage, if any	Value of Other Church Property	Money Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Epworth Leagues	No. of Epworth League Members	No. of Schools...	No. of Officers and Teachers..	No. of Scholars..	Amount Collected for Sunday Schools	Amount Collected for Missions ...	Am't Collected on Children's Day.	Amount Collected for Other Objects	Total Amount Raised
Brookhaven	26	5893	1	5500	415	315	312	121	242	42	46	\$47050 00	14	\$15405 00	\$1500 00	\$77950 00	\$2203 15	3	77	45	310	2609	\$590 45	\$104 90	\$51 35	\$71 50	\$850 20
Natchez	9	3601	1	3206	170	479	245	118	88	45	39	63930 00	10	9950 00	.....	11023 50	1199 05	3	117	28	172	1036	352 06	160 35	71 16	5 00	\$608 58
Jackson	15	4102	1	3722	381	321	308	117	189	47	43	69430 00	13	12050 00	2000 00	7050 00	2586 15	7	299	41	260	1803	381 63	120 63	92 35	67 35	660 96
Vicksburg	6	4028	1	3907	196	196	264	128	64	49	45	71250 00	14	17100 00	.....	17370 00	6494 00	5	181	42	245	1937	580 88	140 19	113 51	120 72	953 10
Sea Shore	20	4191	1	4127	171	277	364	152	42	55	51	40200 00	13	9000 00	1500 00	3230 00	4121 20	4	127	44	246	2132	543 87	91 64	55 91	39 50	720 92
Brandon	32	6666	1	6271	405	390	368	97	236	84	68	42400 00	17	9600 00	750 00	2030 00	2797 45	8	179	51	254	2155	283 06	4 00	56 91	153 05	601 02
Enterprise	13	4393	1	4431	207	218	635	75	55	68	61	44550 00	14	7797 15	.....	1310 00	6388 15	5	176	44	221	2073	382 40	61 54	45 12	24 05	572 51
Meridian	13	4627	59	4513	176	279	278	111	91	60	52	39050 00	9	6200 00	.....	2820 00	3033 55	10	394	41	248	2215	387 59	53 19	56 79	58 62	550 39
Total	134	37501	52	35677	2121	2475	2777	919	1007	456	405	418450 00	104	87102 15	5750 00	122783 50	28823 30	45	1532	336	1956	15960	3501 94	736 44	543 10	644 79	5467 68
Total last year	144	35975	4	34883	1943	1958	2812	976	809	368	394	398785 00	100	88102 00	5250 00	143286 00	23092 75	32	932	350	1993	16245	3284 43	1000 97	599 51	867 93	5803 37
Increase	1536	48	794	178	517	198	88	11	19695 00	4	...	500 00	...	5730 55	13	600	217 51
Decrease	10	35	57	999 85	...	20503 50	14	27	285	...	264 53	56 41	223 14	...	345 69

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FINANCE.

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BROOKHAVEN DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE.	Pres. Elder.		Pr'ch in Charge.		Bishops.		Conf. Cl'm'ts.		For. Missions		Dom Missions		Ch'rch Ext'n.		Education.		Am. Bible Soc'y	Exp. Del. Gen. Conf.		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
Wesson.....	\$ 125 00	\$100 00	\$1000 00	\$ 800 00	\$ 19 00	\$ 19 00	\$ 79 00	\$ 79 00	\$126 00	\$126 00	\$ 51 00	\$ 51 00	\$ 42 00	\$ 21 00	\$ 23 00	\$ 14 00	\$16 00	\$11 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 714 23	\$ 1945 23
Brookhaven	110 00	102 00	850 00	800 00	16 00	16 00	70 00	70 00	111 00	111 00	45 00	45 00	37 00	37 00	20 00	20 00	16 50	10 00	.....	63 50	1332 00
McComb City.....	125 00	125 00	1000 00	1000 00	19 00	19 00	79 00	79 00	126 00	126 00	51 00	51 00	42 00	42 00	23 00	23 00	.....	11 00	11 25	395 27	2059 62
Crystal Springs.....	115 00	95 00	900 00	730 00	17 00	17 00	72 00	72 00	116 00	110 00	47 00	44 00	38 00	38 00	20 00	19 00	10 00	10 00	.....	228 55	1363 55
White's Town.....	45 00	45 00	325 00	325 00	7 00	7 00	29 00	29 00	46 00	46 00	19 00	19 00	15 00	15 00	8 00	8 00	6 00	4 00	4 00	36 95	540 95
Martinsville.....	30 00	17 95	200 00	155 00	5 00	5 50	19 00	11 35	30 00	17 95	12 00	7 15	10 00	6 00	6 00	3 55	2 40	3 00	.....	25 00	251 83
Summit.....	100 00	100 00	700 00	688 00	15 00	15 00	63 00	63 00	101 00	101 00	40 00	40 00	34 00	34 00	18 00	18 00	15 50	9 00	9 00	325 00	1856 00
Hazelhurst.....	105 00	90 00	800 00	660 00	16 00	16 00	67 00	67 15	106 00	70 00	43 00	20 00	32 00	12 00	19 00	5 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	948 15
Adams.....	90 00	90 00	600 00	600 00	14 00	14 00	57 00	57 00	91 00	91 00	37 00	37 00	31 00	31 00	16 00	16 00	12 00	8 00	8 00	334 05	1290 00
Providence.....	85 00	61 30	515 00	376 15	13 00	13 00	54 00	43 50	86 00	30 00	35 00	10 00	30 00	10 00	15 00	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....	543 95
Magnolia.....	95 00	90 00	600 00	561 00	15 00	15 00	60 00	50 00	96 00	70 00	37 00	30 00	33 00	24 00	16 00	12 00	33 75	9 00	8 00	309 25	1258 25
Gallman.....	55 00	42 00	500 00	400 00	9 00	9 00	34 00	35 00	56 00	20 00	24 00	10 00	19 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	2 00	24 00	710 00
North Wesson.....	45 00	39 50	300 00	212 10	7 00	7 00	29 00	15 00	46 00	20 00	19 00	10 50	15 00	7 50	8 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	5 00	324 60
Caseyville.....	95 00	92 00	600 00	580 00	15 00	15 00	60 00	50 00	96 00	96 00	39 00	35 00	33 00	25 00	16 00	10 00	10 00	9 00	5 00	225 00	1251 00
China Grove.....	75 00	66 00	500 00	440 00	11 00	11 00	47 00	47 00	76 00	40 00	31 00	10 00	25 00	8 00	14 00	4 00	5 00	8 00	.....	4 55	635 55
Pleasant Grove.....	65 00	32 00	440 00	292 70	9 00	9 00	41 00	17 00	66 00	10 35	27 00	8 00	22 00	4 80	12 00	3 00	2 00	6 00	.....	46 00	438 00
Total	1360 00	1187 75	9830 00	8619 95	207 00	207 50	860 00	785 00	1375 00	1085 30	557 00	427 65	458 00	325 30	244 00	163 55	143 15	124 00	54 25	2736 35	16748 68
Total last year.....	1350 00	1291 28	9537 00	9313 87	203 00	201 60	803 00	765 00	1271 00	1067 05	505 00	433 00	466 00	351 80	236 00	172 00	103 10	.....	.....	2780 27	18234 85
Increase	10 00	.....	293 00	.....	4 00	5 90	57 00	20 00	104 00	18 25	52 00	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	40 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	103 53	.....	693 92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 35	8 00	26 50	.....	8 45	.....	.....	.....	43 92	1485 97

ENTERPRISE DISTRICT.

Enterprise.....	105 00	71 80	700 00	478 80	14 00	10 35	55 00	28 55	85 00	43 15	35 00	12 80	20 00	9 30	17 00	8 15	2 25	8 00	3 50	26 00	694 95
Shubuta.....	125 00	125 00	800 00	518 00	16 00	16 00	67 00	80 00	102 00	102 00	43 00	43 00	22 00	22 00	20 00	20 00	7 00	10 00	10 00	445 00	2043 00
Mathersville.....	75 00	61 50	450 00	372 10	10 00	10 00	41 00	31 40	60 00	60 00	25 00	13 00	14 00	7 00	12 00	6 00	4 00	6 00	.....	175 95	741 15
Energy Mission	35 00	29 10	150 00	145 45	5 00	5 00	19 00	8 00	29 00	10 00	11 00	5 00	6 00	2 00	5 00	.....	2 00	2 00	.....	8 55	213 10
Pachuta.....	80 00	53 60	600 00	412 10	11 00	11 00	43 00	3 50	65 00	4 75	27 00	2 10	15 00	1 10	13 00	85 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	479 00
Waynesboro.....	125 00	125 00	720 00	720 00	16 00	13 00	66 00	33 00	102 00	50 00	43 00	20 00	23 00	8 00	20 00	8 00	20 00	10 00	.....	292 37	1240 27
State Line.....	100 00	63 00	500 00	380 00	13 00	10 60	54 00	25 00	81 00	15 00	34 00	10 00	18 00	.....	16 00	.....	11 00	8 00	1 00	145 00	660 00
Leaksville.....	40 00	24 40	400 00	243 72	6 00	6 00	21 00	11 24	32 00	12 80	13 00	6 50	8 00	3 20	6 00	2 40	80 00	3 00	1 20	10 00	472 76
Vossburg.....	75 00	61 90	600 00	495 90	10 00	10 00	41 00	41 00	61 00	61 00	25 00	25 00	14 00	14 00	12 00	12 00	4 00	6 00	2 20	125 00	852 00
Heidleburg.....	75 00	48 25	550 00	353 85	10 00	10 00	41 00	8 20	61 00	12 00	25 00	5 00	14 00	2 80	12 00	2 40	1 00	6 00	1 20	125 00	599 70
Ellisville and Laurel.	125 00	125 00	700 00	700 00	16 00	14 50	67 00	40 10	102 00	58 00	43 00	25 20	22 00	11 45	20 00	10 40	3 60	10 00	5 05	311 80	5023 45
Estabuchie.....	60 00	40 00	500 00	286 00	8 00	6 00	32 00	18 00	49 00	15 00	20 00	10 00	11 00	6 00	10 00	6 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	.....	768 00
Williamsburg	65 00	50 05	375 00	278 80	9 00	9 00	35 00	23 50	53 00	28 55	22 00	11 80	12 00	6 45	11 00	5 80	4 00	5 00	2 00	82 35	502 30
Fuller.....	45 00	22 10	301 00	174 00	7 00	7 00	24 00	7 00	30 00	6 00	15 00	5 00	8 00	4 00	7 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	2 00	12 00	213 00
Mt. Carmel.....	65 00	51 00	415 00	351 00	9 00	4 50	35 00	18 00	53 00	30 00	22 00	9 85	12 00	8 65	11 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	473 00
Winchester.....	35 00	35 00	220 00	220 00	5 00	5 00	19 00	4 24	29 00	4 00	11 00	3 20	6 00	2 00	6 00	2 00	.....	2 00	.....	3 50	395 15

Total	1230 00	986 75	7981 00	6429 72	165 00	147 95	660 00	380 73	1000 00	512 25	414 00	207 45	225 00	107 95	198 00	86 00	64 65	95 00	31 15	1762 52	15340 83
Total last year	1200 00	1004 56	7580 00	6283 02	165 95	160 71	660 00	506 29	1070 30	648 05	425 00	257 40	160 10	98 65	195 00	93 57	24 40	.....	.....	2806 30	16115 17
Increase	30 00	.....	401 00	146 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54 90	9 30	3 00	.....	40 25	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	17 81	.....	.....	.....	12 76	.....	125 56	70 30	135 80	11 00	49 95	.....	.....	.....	9 57	.....	.....	.....	1043 78	774 34

SEA SHORE DISTRICT.

Moss Point.....	155 00	155 00	1000 00	1012 00	20 00	20 00	75 00	75 00	140 00	140 00	55 00	55 00	39 00	39 00	26 00	26 00	14 00	12 00	12 00	303 45	1751 45
Americus.....	68 00	51 50	400 00	309 00	12 00	13 00	35 00	20 00	50 00	30 00	20 00	12 00	14 00	7 00	13 00	4 00	5 00	7 00	3 00	25 00	479 50
Escatawpa.....	68 00	.....	432 00	.....	10 00	.....	30 00	.....	50 00	.....	20 00	.....	13 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	7 00	.....	.....	.....
Ocean Springs and B.	107 00	61 75	600 00	370 75	12 00	12 00	60 00	24 50	75 00	13 25	30 00	.....	20 00	.....	15 00	.....	9 85	7 00	.....	81 70	573 80
Vancleve.....	68 00	68 00	385 00	385 00	13 00	13 00	40 00	20 00	70 00	15 00	35 00	10 00	25 00	5 00	13 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	516 00
Black Creek Mission.	40 00	23 00	105 00	60 00	5 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	15 00	3 00	6 00	9 00	7 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	4 00	.....	113 00	.....
Marion.....	35 00	16 25	245 00	108 75	5 00	5 30	20 00	2 50	40 00	2 10	14 00	1 00	10 00	70	5 00	25	.....	3 00	.....	136 85	.....
Whittington.....	60 00	55 70	470 00	410 94	9 00	9 00	35 00	30 55	50 00	37 25	20 00	19 57	11 00	9 05	12 00	10 40	3 80	3 00	2 10	842 44	.....
Bay St. Louis.....	115 00	115 00	600 00	600 00	10 00	10 00	60 00	28 00	80 00	37 00	26 00	26 00	21 00	21 00	12 00	5 00	4 00	7 00	4 00	183 86	1607 14
Pearlington.....	130 00	130 00	650 00	636 00	15 00	15 00	75 00	75 00	95 00	95 00	40 00	40 00	28 00	17 50	16 00	10 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	1898 35	.....
Nicholson.....	35 00	15 00	155 00	72 25	4 00	.....	10 00	.....	20 00	.....	10 00	3 50	9 00	.....	6 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	25 00	115 75
Purvis.....	130 00	130 00	800 00	815 00	15 00	15 00	55 00	55 00	85 00	85 00	37 00	37 00	27 00	27 00	18 00	18 00	25 00	9 00	9 00	132 00	2610 20
Columbia.....	111 00	111 00	600 00	602 50	12 00	12 00	50 00	50 00	90 00	200 00	36 00	36 00	26 00	26 00	16 00	16 00	8 00	6 00	6 00	109 50	1237 00
Hattiesburg.....	135 00	135 00	700 00	700 00	15 00	21 15	65 00	65 00	100 00	100 00	45 00	45 00	35 00	35 00	19 00	19 00	9 00	9 00	9 00	116 00	1826 74
Augusta.....	68 00	48 20	342 00	249 00	8 00	8 00	30 00	10 50	40 00	17 00	20 00	5 00	15 00	3 50	10 00	2 50	115 00	4 00	1 50	15 50	361 40
Total	1325 00	1115 40	7484 00	6340 19	165 00	158 45	650 00	460 05	1000 00	774 60	414 00	299 07	300 00	190 75	199 00	111 15	87 80	95 00	54 60	992 01	14069 62
Total last year	1300 00	1048 00	7317 00	6106 44	165 00	152 92	660 00	484 55	1070 00	716 47	425 00	327 00	300 00	171 85	195 00	94 50	29 15	.....	.....	1206 32	15301 57
Increase	25 00	67 40	167 00	233 75	.....	5 53	.....	.....	.....	58 13	.....	.....	.....	18 90	4 00	16 65	58 65	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	24 50	70 00	.....	9 00	29 93	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1107 12	1231 95

NATCHEZ DISTRICT.

Natchez (Jeffers'n St)	185 00	166 50	1200 00	1080 00	32 00	32 00	128 00	115 20	182 00	163 80	64 00	57 60	43 00	38 70	37 00	33 30	12 60	10 00	9 00	425 00	2133 70
Natchez (Wesley Ch)	65 00	45 00	365 00	230 00	10 00	10 00	42 00	32 00	50 00	32 00	21 00	11 50	16 00	.....	13 00	2 00	1 00	3 00	.....	107 20	470 70
Fayette.....	125 00	90 80	700 00	506 50	20 00	21 50	82 00	45 00	100 00	75 00	41 00	20 00	29 00	10 00	25 00	10 00	20 00	4 00	2 00	216 00	1044 80
Woodville.....	115 00	100 00	650 00	535 00	20 00	20 00	78 00	52 00	100 00	66 00	39 00	26 00	27 00	18 00	23 00	15 00	31 80	7 00	.....	250 00	1113 80
Centerville.....	115 00	96 10	700 00	584 00	20 00	20 00	76 00	37 00	100 00	50 00	38 00	18 00	25 00	11 00	23 00	11 00	15 50	6 00	.....	300 00	1142 60
Gloster.....	110 00	78 95	600 00	426 00	18 00	18 00	72 00	29 20	94 00	49 40	36 00	21 35	25 00	13 20	32 00	12 20	10 55	6 00	1 95	54 00	717 30
Meadville.....	80 00	80 00	435 00	375 00	14 00	14 00	54 00	54 00	69 00	40 00	27 00	17 65	18 00	9 00	16 00	8 00	2 00	4 00	1 60	24 00	821 00
Barlow.....	75 00	62 60	425 00	353 35	13 00	13 00	50 00	40 00	64 00	40 00	25 00	20 00	19 00	2 00	15 00	2 70	1 00	4 00	1 00	8 55	544 50
Amite and M.....	75 00	39 60	610 00	273 20	12 00	12 00	50 00	15 00	64 00	20 00	25 00	15 00	18 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	3 50	4 00	2 50	10 00	490 80
Percy Creek.....	75 00	75 00	450 00	424 00	12 00	12 00	46 00	.....	60 00	.....	23 00	.....	16 00	.....	14 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	6 50	535 85
Roxie.....	65 00	65 00	500 00	400 00	10 00	10 00	42 00	19 00	50 00	25 00	21 00	5 00	15 00	7 00	13 00	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 15	110 40	648 55
Washington.....	60 00	55 00	400 00	376 00	10 00	10 00	40 00	40 00	52 00	52 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	12 00	12 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	72 00	683 00
Wilkinson.....	60 00	25 00	.....	.....	10 00	4 50	40 00	.....	50 00	.....	20 00	.....	14 00	.....	12 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Total	1200 00	979 55	7035 00	5563 05	201 00	197 00	800 00	478 40	1035 00	613 20	400 00	232 10	280 00	128 90	240 00	115 20	103 75	60 00	22 20	1583 65	10446 60
Total last year	1230 00	949 53	7720 00	5813 37	205 00	179 10	821 00	460 90	1103 00	598 05	458 00	245 35	290 00	132 00	246 00	92 80	41 20	.....	.....	1107 13	11191 83
Increase .....	.....	30 02	.....	.....	.....	17 90	.....	17 50	.....	15 15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 40	62 55	.....	.....	476 52	.....
Decrease	30 00	685 00	250 32	4 00	21 00	128 00	58 00	13 25	10 00	3 10	6 00	745 23

VICKSBURG DISTRICT.

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NAME OF CHARGE.	Pres. Elder.		Pr'ch in Charge.		Bishops.		Con. Cl'm'ts.		For. Mission s.		Dom Missions		Ch'rch Ext'n.		Education.		Am. Bible Soc'y	Exp. Del. Gen. Conf.		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
Vicksburg (Cr'f'd St)	\$ 214 00	\$214 00	\$1500 00	\$1500 00	\$ 30 00	\$ 30 00	\$120 00	\$122 10	\$180 00	\$180 00	\$ 70 00	\$ 70 00	\$ 63 00	\$ 63 00	\$ 34 00	\$ 34 00	\$21 20	\$17 00	\$17 00	\$ 995 10	\$ 2246 40
South Vicksburg.....	42 00	25 60	350 00	225 00	5 00	5 05	20 00	15 00	30 00	25 00	16 40	14 20	10 40	9 40	5 50	5 00	2 00	2 75	1 75	.....	328 00
Rolling Fork.....	86 00	86 00	800 00	800 00	12 00	12 00	48 00	40 00	77 50	40 00	32 40	20 00	26 40	10 00	14 50	3 00	7 60	7 25	.....	492 00	4006 60
Anguilla.....	65 00	54 75	600 00	505 25	8 00	8 00	32 00	33 00	58 50	53 00	24 50	16 00	18 50	15 00	10 50	10 50	3 00	5 25	2 00	.....	699 50
Mayersville.....	74 00	74 00	600 00	600 00	10 00	10 00	40 00	40 00	65 50	65 50	27 40	27 40	21 40	21 40	13 00	13 00	9 70	6 50	6 50	138 00	1005 50
Warren.....	107 00	91 00	600 00	540 75	15 00	15 00	60 00	49 00	95 50	78 00	38 25	30 00	32 25	25 25	18 00	14 50	8 50	9 00	7 25	105 00	950 45
Mt. Olivet.....	107 00	70 30	600 00	463 85	14 00	15 25	56 00	25 15	95 50	20 20	38 25	12 00	32 25	8 00	16 00	10 00	11 00	8 00	.....	213 25	889 00
South Warren.....	79 00	39 55	600 00	334 00	10 00	10 00	40 00	20 00	70 25	20 00	20 00	12 00	23 00	11 50	12 00	8 20	3 00	6 00	.....	75 00	533 25
Edwards.....	107 00	84 85	856 00	672 25	14 00	15 35	56 00	56 00	95 50	88 50	38 40	38 40	32 40	25 00	16 50	12 00	8 20	8 25	4 25	87 75	1092 55
Bolton.....	107 00	107 00	733 00	733 00	14 00	14 00	56 00	56 00	95 50	95 50	38 40	38 40	32 40	32 40	16 50	16 50	15 00	8 25	8 25	146 55	1419 00
Utica.....	116 00	104 55	650 00	586 05	14 00	14 00	56 00	56 00	95 50	95 50	42 40	30 20	36 40	15 00	18 00	9 00	16 15	9 00	4 50	126 55	1349 10
Rocky Springs.....	107 60	88 05	600 00	521 80	14 00	14 50	56 00	56 00	95 50	92 00	38 40	30 00	32 40	25 00	16 50	9 00	10 00	8 25	5 00	152 15	1103 40
Hermanville.....	86 00	80 45	600 00	563 05	12 00	12 00	48 00	34 75	78 25	49 15	32 40	22 35	26 40	14 25	12 50	10 00	5 00	7 25	4 00	78 60	1617 65
Harriston.....	86 00	75 55	600 00	557 45	12 00	11 20	48 00	30 00	78 50	40 00	33 40	15 00	27 40	14 00	14 50	7 00	5 00	7 25	2 50	103 85	1162 21
Port Gibson.....	117 00	117 00	800 00	800 00	16 00	16 00	64 00	64 00	95 50	98 50	41 40	41 40	35 40	22 35	20 00	12 75	12 20	10 00	.....	100 00	2187 95
Total.....	1500 00	1312 65	10489 00	9402 45	200 00	204 35	800 00	697 00	1310 00	1039 85	540 00	417 35	450 00	311 45	240 00	174 45	137 55	120 00	63 00	2814 10	20590 56
Total last year.....	1435 00	1224 08	9829 00	8262 28	200 00	202 10	800 00	721 00	1191 00	995 40	450 00	307 25	450 00	328 40	235 00	107 70	39 10	.....	.....	1017 32	16048 25
Increase.....	65 00	88 57	660 00	1140 17	.....	2 25	.....	.....	119 00	44 45	90 00	50 10	.....	.....	5 00	6 75	98 45	.....	.....	1796 78	4542 31
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

MERIDIAN DISTRICT.

Meridian, Central.....	250 00	200 00	1500 00	1200 00	25 00	25 00	150 00	120 00	250 00	200 00	75 00	60 00	75 00	60 00	57 00	35 00	23 05	25 00	.....	.....	1923 05
Meridian, South Side.	50 00	32 00	400 00	263 25	10 00	2 50	30 00	20 00	50 00	.....	15 00	14 00	15 00	.....	5 50	.....	85	4 50	.....	4 50	939 02
Meridian, East End.....	85 00	55 00	600 00	380 00	10 00	5 00	40 00	18 00	60 00	20 00	25 00	9 00	27 50	5 00	13 50	4 00	2 00	7 00	.....	455 00	953 00
Meridian, West End..	90 00	66 30	800 00	682 73	10 00	10 00	40 00	45 20	80 00	78 78	30 00	24 30	27 50	24 05	10 00	10 00	3 40	7 00	.....	246 80	1509 03
Chunkey.....	50 00	37 00	300 00	218 85	7 50	7 50	35 00	15 00	45 00	13 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	4 00	3 00	3 50	2 00	250 00	560 35
Rose Hill.....	100 00	70 00	650 00	450 00	15 00	11 00	55 00	30 00	80 00	60 00	30 00	10 00	25 00	10 00	16 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	5 00	52 00	714 00
DeKalb.....	80 00	75 00	600 00	550 00	15 00	15 00	50 00	30 00	75 00	25 00	30 00	15 00	30 00	.....	16 00	.....	.....	8 00	.....	18 00	1335 00
Binnsville.....	75 00	63 35	525 00	443 50	15 00	15 00	50 00	50 00	60 00	50 00	20 00	15 00	25 00	15 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	5 00	33 90	1390 65
Porterville.....	50 00	42 00	380 00	352 00	7 50	8 25	40 00	15 00	45 00	17 00	15 00	4 00	10 00	2 00	7 50	.....	.....	3 50	.....	58 50	517 85
Lauderdale.....	75 00	62 75	550 00	439 25	15 00	12 50	50 00	46 38	70 00	60 00	25 00	20 00	25 00	20 00	15 00	12 00	10 00	7 00	5 00	81 00	769 85
Vinnville.....	60 00	47 55	465 00	356 80	10 00	10 00	40 00	12 05	60 00	17 30	25 00	8 20	15 00	4 30	10 00	2 90	1 45	3 50	1 00	95 00	563 50
North Kemper.....	40 00	21 70	350 00	190 10	10 00	3 80	25 00	5 00	40 00	4 00	20 00	3 00	15 00	5 00	8 50	.....	.....	3 50	.....	4 00	233 60
Neshoba.....	75 00	60 00	375 00	350 00	10 00	8 20	50 00	20 00	65 00	25 00	25 00	10 00	25 00	8 00	16 00	7 00	3 00	8 00	2 00	61 50	803 55
Linwood.....	60 00	37 50	200 00	159 05	7 50	4 55	30 00	7 00	40 00	8 60	20 00	4 25	15 00	3 00	7 50	5 30	1 10	3 50	.....	10 05	308 55
Daleville.....	85 00	60 25	545 00	372 00	20 00	20 00	50 00	25 00	75 00	40 00	35 00	15 00	30 00	10 00	17 50	5 00	4 00	7 00	3 00	284 45	838 70
Total.....	1225 00	930 40	8195 00	6407 53	187 50	153 30	735 00	458 63	1095 00	618 68	405 00	222 75	370 00	166 85	214 00	96 20	61 85	105 00	23 00	1655 00	12359 70
Total last year.....	1200 00	946 00	8195 00	6593 05	180 00	169 75	720 00	453 40	1135 00	632 70	400 00	241 90	352 00	184 00	212 00	105 80	6 15	.....	.....	1112 25	13037 33
Increase.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	7 50	.....	15 00	5 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 00	.....	2 00	.....	55 70	.....	.....	542 75	.....
Decrease.....	.....	15 60	.....	186 12	.....	11 45	.....	.....	40 00	14 02	55 00	19 15	.....	17 15	.....	9 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	1277 63

BRANDON DISTRICT.

Brandon	90 00	90 00	600 00	615 00	12 00	12 00	45 00	45 00	75 00	75 00	30 00	30 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	15 00	931 00
Carthage	80 00	72 90	600 00	549 95	10 00	10 00	45 00	35 00	65 00	50 50	30 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	12 00	10 00	3 50	7 00	3 00	54 10	1162 75
Walnut Grove	65 00	48 40	405 00	330 00	9 00	9 00	35 00	19 50	60 00	31 00	20 00	11 00	15 00	7 50	10 00	5 00	2 00	5 00	2 80	30 00	1140 00
Hillsboro	50 00	35 87	300 00	179 39	8 00	6 80	25 00	10 20	40 00	9 00	20 00	5 00	15 00	1 50	10 00	2 00	75	4 00	2 50	26 15	276 66
Decatur	70 00	54 10	405 00	369 10	9 00	9 00	40 00	40 00	50 00	35 00	25 00	13 00	15 00	7 50	10 00	5 50	3 33	5 00	2 50	237 00	279 53
Newton and H.	112 00	112 00	800 00	800 00	15 00	15 00	65 00	65 00	95 00	95 00	35 00	35 00	25 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	9 00	12 00	12 00	1308 00	1308 00
Lake	80 00	62 75	600 00	470 80	12 00	12 00	45 00	45 00	70 00	50 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	12 00	12 00	8 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	692 55	692 55
Morton and F.	90 00	90 00	630 00	630 00	14 00	14 00	55 00	55 00	85 00	85 00	30 00	28 02	25 00	25 00	15 00	15 00	7 90	8 00	200 00	1265 70	1265 70
Clarksburg	53 00	41 25	227 00	201 35	6 00	6 00	25 00	15 00	35 00	12 00	15 00	12 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	1 65	1 00	3 00	1 60	14 50	305 95
Steen's Creek	90 00	78 50	600 00	525 20	13 00	13 00	55 00	50 00	80 00	50 00	30 00	16 00	20 00	20 00	15 00	6 50	4 00	8 00	9 00	772 20	772 20
Shiloh	75 00	40 00	565 00	305 95	10 00	10 00	45 00	35 00	65 00	40 00	25 00	20 00	20 00	10 00	12 00	8 00	5 00	6 00	4 00	281 45	759 30
Westville	75 00	60 70	500 00	*431 91	9 00	9 00	30 00	21 10	50 00	35 20	20 00	14 10	15 00	10 55	12 00	9 00	3 50	6 00	4 00	523 06	523 06
Raleigh	50 00	50 00	450 00	385 00	8 00	8 00	30 00	20 00	45 00	10 00	20 00	10 00	15 00	4 00	10 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	488 00	488 00
Trenton	75 00	60 30	460 00	370 40	10 00	10 00	45 00	12 00	60 00	37 00	25 00	15 25	15 00	9 25	12 00	7 50	3 00	5 00	3 60	106 00	643 70
Homewood	55 00	31 60	330 00	189 58	8 00	8 00	25 00	9 70	45 00	4 00	20 00	3 35	10 00	1 00	10 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	38 90	249 23
Montrose	90 00	65 25	630 00	459 00	12 00	12 00	50 00	36 00	89 00	40 70	30 00	11 00	20 00	10 00	15 00	6 00	5 00	8 00	5 75	824 60	824 60
Total	1200 00	988 00	8102 00	6812 63	165 00	163 00	660 00	513 50	1030 00	659 40	400 00	263 72	280 00	183 30	195 00	115 15	60 98	100 00	53 05	1012 10	11623 23
Total last year	1233 00	861 59	8013 55	5719 49	165 00	165 00	663 00	428 95	999 40	578 30	399 40	235 65	280 00	148 65	198 50	90 05	6 15	.....	.....	665 05	9833 54
Increase	.....	126 11	88 45	1093 14	.....	.....	.....	84 55	60	81 10	60	28 07	.....	34 65	.....	25 10	54 83	.....	.....	347 05	1789 69
Decrease	33 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* \$75.00 paid Junior Preacher.

JACKSON DISTRICT.

Jackson (1st Church)...	227 00	227 00	1500 00	1500 00	29 00	29 00	125 00	125 00	209 00	209 00	88 00	88 00	45 00	45 00	30 00	30 00	30 00	19 00	19 00	304 00	3572 05
Jackson (Capital St)...	90 00	90 00	650 00	650 00	11 00	12 50	58 00	68 00	74 00	86 50	39 00	45 50	20 00	24 00	6 00	7 00	12 00	8 00	9 00	170 00	1174 50
Fannin.....	69 00	40 75	301 00	172 70	7 00	8 30	30 00	20 00	42 00	21 00	20 00	15 00	15 00	6 00	8 00	5 00	4 00	6 00	2 00	.....	294 75
Terry.....	80 00	72 00	500 00	450 85	11 00	7 10	42 00	32 00	63 00	46 05	30 00	23 00	25 00	19 00	11 00	7 00	8 65	7 00	.....	665 65	
Madison.....	80 00	56 50	600 00	422 00	14 00	17 50	55 00	42 50	84 00	43 75	33 00	10 00	30 00	8 00	17 00	6 00	10 00	8 00	.....	20 10	742 00
Canton.....	114 00	72 75	800 00	525 40	15 00	6 15	75 00	75 00	120 00	45 95	37 00	15 10	40 00	.....	24 00	.....	3 35	9 00	.....	43 80	817 10
Sharon.....	73 00	59 50	452 00	372 50	10 00	12 65	50 00	20 50	78 00	12 00	27 00	10 00	25 00	5 00	20 00	3 00	1 00	6 00	2 00	.....	590 60
Camden.....	80 00	80 00	600 00	600 00	14 00	15 90	50 00	50 00	75 00	75 00	32 00	33 00	38 00	38 00	18 00	18 00	10 00	8 00	8 00	60 00	987 90
Benton.....	114 00	99 05	600 00	519 90	15 00	.....	75 00	35 25	120 00	40 40	48 00	25 00	37 00	10 00	25 00	10 00	2 50	10 00	.....	75 00	817 00
Tranquil.....	49 00	36 60	326 00	234 20	7 00	7 00	20 00	14 00	37 00	18 00	18 00	9 50	19 00	5 50	7 00	2 50	3 40	4 00	2 00	35 30	370 00
Silver Creek and B. L.	73 00	73 00	600 00	600 00	11 00	12 65	35 00	35 00	52 00	52 00	15 00	15 00	30 00	30 00	17 00	17 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	269 50	1117 15
Lake City and Lodi...	73 00	73 00	600 00	600 00	11 00	8 25	35 00	20 00	57 00	25 00	20 00	13 00	30 00	8 00	11 00	5 00	2 00	6 00	.....	100 00	854 25
Yazoo City	200 00	187 30	1500 00	1400 00	19 00	19 00	110 00	110 00	147 00	147 00	75 00	75 00	35 00	35 00	19 00	5 00	32 00	17 00	15 00	274 00	2429 30
Yazoo Circuit.....	73 00	51 80	400 00	281 95	11 00	15 95	35 00	18 00	63 00	25 00	20 00	15 00	30 00	9 40	12 00	5 00	4 00	5 00	3 50	193 10	622 70
Flora.....	85 00	85 00	600 00	600 00	14 00	16 15	55 00	55 00	89 00	89 00	38 00	38 00	31 00	31 00	15 00	15 00	8 00	7 00	7 00	122 45	1047 60
Total.....	1480 00	1304 25	10029 00	8929 50	198 00	188 10	850 00	720 25	1310 00	935 65	541 00	430 10	450 00	273 90	240 00	135 50	138 90	125 00	72 50	1667 25	13102 50
Total last year.....	1326 00	1156 73	9015 00	8062 61	225 00	222 40	840 00	673 90	1250 00	868 11	500 00	365 65	450 00	229 73	266 00	119 40	32 20	.....	.....	1910 17	16757 04
Increase.....	154 00	147 52	1014 00	866 89	.....	.....	10 00	46 35	60 00	67 54	41 00	64 45	.....	44 17	.....	16 10	106 70	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27 00	34 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	242 92	3654 54

RECAPITULATION--FINANCE.

NAME OF DIST.	Pres, Elder.		Pr'ch in Charge.		Bishops.		Con. Cl'm'ts.		For. Missions.		Dom Missions		Ch'rclh Ext'n.		Education.		Am. Bible Soc'y	Ex. Del. Gen. Conf.		Other Objects.	Total from all Sources.
	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.		
Brookhaven.....	\$1360 00	\$1187 75	\$9830 00	\$8619 95	\$207 00	\$207 50	\$860 00	\$785 00	\$1375 00	\$1085 30	\$557 00	\$427 65	\$458 00	\$325 30	\$244 00	\$163 55	\$143 15	\$124 00	\$54 25	\$2736 35	\$16748 68
Sea Shore.....	1325 00	1154 40	7484 00	6340 19	165 00	158 45	650 00	460 05	1000 00	774 60	414 00	299 07	300 00	190 75	199 00	111 15	87 80	95 00	54 60	992 01	14069 62
Enterprise.....	1230 00	986 75	7980 00	6429 74	165 00	147 95	660 00	380 73	1000 00	512 25	414 00	207 45	225 00	107 95	198 00	86 00	64 65	95 00	31 15	1762 52	15340 83
Natchez.....	1200 00	979 55	7035 00	5563 05	201 00	197 00	800 00	478 40	1035 00	613 20	400 00	232 10	280 00	128 90	240 00	115 20	103 75	60 00	22 20	1553 65	10446 60
Vicksburg.....	1500 00	1312 65	10489 00	9402 45	200 00	204 30	800 00	697 00	1310 00	1039 55	540 00	417 35	450 00	311 45	240 00	174 45	137 55	120 00	63 00	2814 10	20890 56
Meridian.....	1225 00	930 40	8195 00	6407 53	187 50	158 30	735 00	458 63	1095 00	618 68	405 00	222 75	370 00	166 85	214 00	96 20	61 85	105 00	23 00	1655 00	12359 70
Brandon.....	1200 00	988 00	8102 00	6812 63	165 00	163 00	660 00	513 50	1000 00	659 40	400 00	263 72	280 00	183 30	195 00	115 15	60 98	100 00	53 05	1012 10	11623 23
Jackson.....	1480 00	1304 25	1029 00	8929 50	198 00	188 10	850 00	720 25	1310 00	935 65	541 00	430 10	450 00	273 90	240 00	135 50	138 90	125 00	72 50	1667 25	13102 50
Total.....	10520 00	8804 75	61144 00	58505 62	1488 50	1424 60	6015 00	4193 56	9125 00	6528 93	3671 00	2400 17	2813 00	1688 40	1770 00	997 20	798 63	824 00	373 75	14322 98	114281 72
Total last year	10270 00	8432 75	67206 55	56157 93	1508 05	1453 58	5967 00	4493 90	9149 70	6104 13	3623 40	2473 20	2748 10	1645 13	1783 50	935 82	281 45	.....	.....	13568 54	118119 58
Increase.....	216 00	372 00	.....	2347 09	.....	.....	48 00	.....	.....	424 80	47 60	26 97	64 90	43 27	.....	61 38	517 18	.....	.....	754 44	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	6062 55	.....	59 55	28 98	.....	300 34	24 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3837 86